NC Institutional Galleries

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Chapel Hill - Carrboro

Plaza at 140 West Franklin Street in downtown Chapel Hill. 1st & 2nd Fri. - Every Friday beginning in April we will host our Live and Local Music and Art Series at the 140 West Plaza. Our 2nd Friday events will include visual arts. 2nd Fridays are the Chapel Hill Downtown Partnerships Art Walk. For info visit (www. townofchapelhill.org).



Work by Ronald Lockett

Ackland Art Museum, UNC - Chapel Hill, Columbia & Franklin Streets, Chapel Hill. Through Apr. 9 - "Fever Within: The Art of Ronald Lockett". Organized by the Ackland Art Museum, "Fever Within: The Art of Ronald Lockett" is a groundbreaking retrospective of a passionately inspired and little-understood figure in twentieth-century American art. The first solo exhibition of Ronald Lockett's art, Fever Within emphasizes the powerful themes the artist explored over the course of his career through about 50 of his works of art. The exhibition, which will be presented in 2016-2017 in New York and Atlanta as well as in Chapel Hill, marks the first time that viewers will be able to gain insight into the full range of Lockett's innovative and evocative paintings and assemblages. Through May 14 - "Flora and Fauna". A glorious display of the importance of animals and plants in Asian art, "Flora and Fauna" will feature a wide variety of art works, including prayer rugs from the Middle East, statues from India, Chinese paintings, and much more. It will also mark the debut of the Ackland's newly acquired pair of Japanese screens by the painter Kajino Genzan (1868–1939), dazzling with their gold leaf background, exquisite colors, and beautifully rendered flowers. Through May 13, 2018 - "Color Across Asia," is part of a groundbreaking re-installation of the Ackland Art Museum's Asian galleries, presenting the Museum's acclaimed collection of art from across the continent. Museum Store Gallery (Franklin and Columbia Street), Store hours: Mon.-Sat., 10am-5:30pm & Sun., noon-5pm. Museum Hours: Wed.-Thur., 10am-9pm; 2nd Fri, of the month, 10am-9pm; and Fri.-Sun, 10am-5pm. Contact: 919/966-5736 or at (www. ackland.org).

FRANK, 109 East Franklin Street, Chapel Hill. Through Mar. 4 - "Local Color". There is no one way to use it. Simply through color, an artist can evoke strong emotions and create deep meaning in their work. On a color wheel, opposing colors are considered complementary. In a painting, neighboring colors often energize one another. Through Mar. 4 - "The Disappearing Frogs Project". Our Michael and Laura Brader-Araje Community Outreach Gallery features the "Disappearing Frogs Project". Founded on the premise of using the arts to illuminate an important environmental issue - the disappearance of the world's amphibian population. This traveling art exhibition aims to change that through artwork created by regional artists. Mar. 7 - Apr. 9 - Featuring an exhibit of works by three acclaimed local artists working in ceramics, mixed media, and photography, respectively, Sasha Bakaric, Linwood Hart, and Peter Filene. A reception will be hele on Mar. 10, from 6-9pm. These artists have united to create a unique exhibition showcasing some of the wonderfully diverse works of art available at FRANK. Ongoing - Featuring work from over 70 artists, Frank offers more than you'd expect from an art gallery. Frank is a collective, founded by the area's finest artists working together to open the door for creative innovation in the arts. Hours: Summer, Wed.-Thur., noon-5pm; Fri., Noon-8pm; Sat., 10am-5pm and Sun. 1-5pm. Contact: 919/636-4135 or at (www.frankisart.com).

South End Art Gallery Crawl - From 6-9pm on the 1st Friday of each month.

Bechtler Museum of Modern Art, Levine Center for the Arts, 420 South Tryon St., Charlotte. Fourth-floor Gallery, Through Apr. 23 - "The Bechtler Collection: Relaunched and Rediscovered," an exhibition expanding on works from the museum's collection including modern and contemporary artists. The impetus for the show comes from extensive new research into the collection and the artists in the holdings, many of whom have very little material available in English. Significant findings from the research will be included in the exhibition. Through July 3 - "Summing It Up at the End: Alberto Giacometti's 45 Drawings Portfolio". In 1963, in failing health, Giacometti put together this portfolio of 45 photogravure copies of drawings that illustrate his artistic evolution. Ongoing - The Bechtler Museum of Modern Art is named after the family of Andreas Bechtler, a Charlotte resident and native of Switzerland who assembled and inherited a collection of more than 1,400 artworks created by major figures of 20th-century modernism and donated it to the public trust. The Bechtler collection comprises artworks by seminal figures such as Alberto Giacometti, Joan Miro, Jean Tinguely, Max Ernst, Andy Warhol, Alexander Calder, Le Corbusier, Sol LeWitt, Edgar Degas, Nicolas de Stael, Barbara Hepworth and Picasso. Only a handful of the artworks in the Bechtler collection have been on public view in the United States. Admission: Yes. Hours: Mon., Wed.-Sat., 10am-5pm; Sun. noon-5pm; and open until 9pm the 1st. and 3rd. Fri. of each month. Contact: 704/353-9200 or at (www.bechtler.org).

Charlotte Art League Gallery & Studios,

1517 Camden Road, South End, Charlotte. **Ongoing -** CAL houses one of the area's largest collections of local professional and emerging artists, offering affordable fine art in a variety of styles and media: acrylics, oil, pastel, watercolor, mixed media, photography and sculpture, and fiber art. Tour studios of working artists. Admission: Free. Hours: Tue.-Thur., 11am-3pm; Fri., 5-9pm; Sat., noon-4pm; Sun., 1-5pm. Closed Dec. 22-Jan. 1. Contact: 704/376-2787 or at (www.charlotteartleague.org).

Davidson College Art Galleries, Belk Visual rts Center, 315 North Main and Griffith Streets, Davidson. Van Every Gallery, Through Mar.
3 - "Baik Art Residency and Exhibition," featuring works by Mella Jaarsma, Aliansyah Caniago, and Restu Ratnaningtyas. Smith Gallery, Through Mar. 3 - "Heri Dono". Hours: Mon.-Fri., 10am-5pm and Sat. & Sun., noon-4pm. Contact: 704/894-2519 or at (www.davidsoncollegeartgalleries.org).

Harvey B. Gantt Center for African-American Arts & Culture, Levine Center for the Arts, 551 S. Tryon St., Charlotte. Through July 6 - "Jordan Casteel: Harlem Notes," featuring an exhibition of recent paintings by Harlem based artist, Jordan Casteel. The exhibition combines her exterior portraits with details that explore intimacy and the document. Through July 8 - "Zun Lee: Father Figure," is at once documentary photography and personal visual storytelling. Through intimate black-and-white frames, the aim is to provide insight into often-overlooked aspects of Black fatherhood Through July 8 - "Alison Saar: The Nature of Us," explores themes of motherhood, the role of women, the intensity of their hearts, and their embodiment as nature by highlighting the of renowned artist Alison Saar. Through July 8 - "The Future is Abstract,: curated by Dexter Wimberly, the exhibit highlights the work of four multidisciplinary, contemporary artists working in abstract painting and mixed-media. The exhibition includes an array of rigorous, process-driven works made from reclaimed or found materials, as well as classic painting and production techniques. Rushern Baker, De-Shawn Dumas, Torkwase Dyson', and Brenna Youngblood. Ongoing - Featuring selections from the John & Vivian Hewitt Collection of African-American Art, one of the nation's most important and comprehensive collections of African-American art. Hours: Tue.-Sat., 10am-5pm & Sun. 1-5pm. Contact: 704/547-3700 or at (www.ganttcenter.org).



Work by Cristina Toro

Latin American Contemporary Art Projects (LaCa), 1429 Bryant Street, in the heart of the revitalized FreeMoreWest neighborhood, Charlotte. Through Apr. 8 - "Strike a Match to Hear My Sound," featuring works by Cristina Toro. This new body of work addresses natural and supernatural phenomena related to fire and light. The inspiration for these works began in Toro's kitchen, where she experienced the phenomenon of luminous plasma causing ionization of air particles and creating a glowing light, or Saint Elmo's Fire. Ongoing - LaCa Projects is a platform dedicated to the presentation, development, and promotion of Latin American art and culture within the United States. The gallery encourages cross-cultural dialogue by representing a small group of influential and thought-provoking contemporary, emerging and mid-career artists, as well as exhibiting a broader range of work by established and Master Latin American artists. The gallery, which has expertise in a number of different art media with a significant focus on paintings, will also be part of a larger planned expansion that includes open artist studios and a dining concept. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 1-5pm or by appt. Contact: Neely Verano at (neely@lacaprojects. com) or call 704/609-8487.

Levine Museum of the New South, 200 E. Seventh St., corner of College St & Seventh St., Charlotte. **Ongoing -** "Cotton Fields to Skyscrapers," featuring a permanent exhibition featuring interactive environments that trace the history of the New South from the end of the Civil War until today. Admission: Yes. Free on Sat. Parking: next door in Seventh Street Station. Hours: Mon.-Sat., 10am-5pm & Sun., noon-5pm. Contact: 704/333-1887 or at (www. museumofthenewsouth.org).

Mint Museum Randolph, 2730 Randolph Road, Charlotte. Bridges and Levine Galleries, Ongoing - "Contemporary British Studio Ceramics: The Grainer Collection". Focused on the collection of Diane and Marc Grainer, this installation is a survey of contemporary British studio ceramics. Comprising functional and sculptural objects made between the 1980s and today, the show features work by artists either born or residing in Great Britain, including established "contemporary classics" like Gordon Baldwin and Rupert Spira, and cutting-edge ceramicists such as Julian Stair and Kate Malone. Several recentlygifted works from the Grainers are included. Alexander, Spangler, and Harris Galleries, Ongoing - "Portals to the Past: British Ceramics 1675 - 1825". The Mint Museum's collection of eighteenth-century British pottery and porcelain is widely respected for its scope and quality. The collection numbers over 2,000 objects and includes important examples of both salt-glazed and dry-bodied stoneware from Staffordshire; tin-glazed earthenware from Bristol, Liverpool, and London; and cream-colored earthenware from Derbyshire, Staffordshire, and Yorkshire. Notable eighteenth-century porcelain factories represented include Chelsea, Bow, and Vauxhall in London, Longton Hall in Staffordshire, Worcester, Bristol, and others. Individual works in the collection are exceptional because of their rarity, craftsmanship, provenance, or as representa tive examples of particular types or methods of production or decoration. Ongoing - "American Glass". The nineteenth and early twentieth centuries represented a time of extraordinary growth for the American glass industry. Such companies as Boston & Sandwich Glass Company in Sandwich, MA; Steuben Glass Works in Corning, NY; and Libbey Glass Company in Toledo, OH, began operation and soon developed notable reputations for producing fashionable wares that were coveted by many middle- and upper-class consumers. "American Glass" showcases objects by these and other American glass companies, illustrating the variety of forms and styles that prevailed during this period. Glass-manufacturing techniques will be another focus of the exhibition, with representative examples of pressed, cut, blown, and molded glass. Nearly all of the works on view are from The Mint Museum's permanent collection of glass, which is second in size only to the ceramics collection in the museum's Decorative Arts holdings. Ongoing - "Arts of Africa". The African continent is remarkable in its geographic, social, political, and cultural diversity. This impressive diversity is reflected in the visual arts through a variety of media and forms including ceramics, masks, textiles, sculptures, prestige staffs, and shrines. With exceptional loans from

private collectors and The Mint Museum's own collection of African Art, the museum is pleased to announce the expansion of its presentation of Arts of Africa, thereby providing visitors a more in-depth, meaningful, and exciting overview of African art. Heritage Gallery, Ongoing - Feature works of art, archival documents, and photographs documenting the growth and evolution of the museum, from its beginnings as the original branch of the US Mint to its founding as an art museum to the present and beyond. Ongoing - "Art for the Millions: WPA Prints" and "Carolina Clay," featuring a display of colorful wares made between 1920 and 1950 as potters from NC adapted their works to a market economy. "Art of the United States," featuring contemporary works from the Mint's permanent collection, including works by Romare Bearden, Maud Gatewood, John Biggers Juan Logan, Tarlton Blackwell, Radcliffe Bailey, Kojo Griffin, and others. "Art in the Americas," featuring paintings, precious metalwork, sculpture, furniture and decorative arts from the 17th through the 19th centuries illustrate the unique culture that emerged from the Spanish colonization of the Americas. Crosland Gallerv - Featuring a presentation of portraits with many fascinating images presented. Rankin Gallery -Featuring a presentation of the Romare Bearden Collection, including two "new" Beardens. Delhom Gallery, Ongoing - The European Collection of ceramic works. Admission: Yes. Hours: Wed., 11am-9pm (free admission 5-9pm); Thur.-Sat., 11am-6pm; & Sun., 1-5pm. Contact: 704/337-2000 or at (www.mintmuseum.org).

Mint Museum Uptown, Levine Center for the Arts. 500 South Trvon St., Charlotte, Ongoing -The Mint Museum Uptown will house the world renowned collections of the Mint Museum of Craft + Design, as well as the American Art and Contemporary Art collections and selected works from the European Art collection. The building also includes a café, a Family Gallery, painting and ceramics studios, classrooms, a 240-seat auditorium, a Special Events Pavilion with outdoor terrace, and an expanded Museum Shop specializing in crafts of the Carolinas. Admission: Yes. Hours: Wed., 11am-9pm (free admission 5-9pm); Thur.-Sat., 11am-6pm; & Sun., 1-5pm. Contact: 704/337-2000 or at (www.mintmuseum. org).

The Civic & Cultural Arts Center of Pineville, 316 Main Street, right next door to "old" Pineville Police Station, Pineville. Ongoing - The CCAC is a 501(C)(3) non-profit organization offering a place where artist of every discipline have an opportunity to network and enhance their gifts. The CCAC is a gathering place for emerging and established artists of all ages to present, create and collaborate in giving life to their art, with a goal of embracing and promoting the artistic, creative and entrepreneurial possibilities available in our community through classes, workshops and on-going events and programs. Hours: Sat. 9am-1pm and most week nights from 6:30-9pm. Contact: call Lee Baumgarten at 704/889-2434, or visit (www. ccacpineville.org).

The Light Factory, 1817 Central Avenue, Charlotte. Through Apr. 7 - "LILITH," curated by Jonell Logan. In religious mythology, Lilith is the first wife of Adam. Made of the same dust, she considered herself his equal. Confident and aware of her power, she chose to leave Adam instead of to subjugate herself to his will. Regarded by some academics as the first feminist, the story of Lilith presents a new narrative to the better-known story of Adam and Eve. Like her story, this exhibition presents the works of women photographers Jodi Bieber. Guia Besana, Maxine Helfman, Allison Janae Hamilton, and Donna Cooper Hurt who use the camera to create new or alternative narratives regarding femininity, history, identity and power. Hours: Wed.-Sat., noon-6pm or by request. Contact: 704/333-9755 or at (www.lightfactory.org).

The ArtsCenter, 300-G East Main Street, Carrboro. **Ongoing -** Nurturing the arts in the triangle since 1974 through performance, education and exhibition. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 9am-9pm and Sat. 10am-5pm. Contact: 919/929-2787 or at (http://artscenterlive.org).

Charlotte Area

North Davidson Arts District Gallery Crawl -From 6-9 or 10pm on the 1st & 3rd Fridays of each month. For info check (www.noda.org).

Uptown Gallery Crawl - From 6-8pm on the 1st Friday of each month.

Lake Norman Art League Gallery, 442

S. Main St., located across the street from Wooden Stone, next to Masterworks; enter at the rear of the building, and turn right into the lobby, Davidson. **Ongoing -** Featuring works by Lake Norman Art League members. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 8am-7pm. Contact: 704/620-4450 or at (www.LKNart.org). The Sonia and Isaac Luski Gallery, at the Foundation for the Carolinas building, 220 N. Tryon Street, (old Montaldo's/Mint Museum of Craft + Design site), Charlotte. **Ongoing** -Featuring work on Ioan from Sonia and Isaac Luski including works by: Chuck Close, Lewis Jones, Herb Jackson, Mark Peiser, Richard Ritter, Richard Jolley, Harvey Littleton, Lino Tagliapietra and many more. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 10am-5:30pm. Contact: 704/973-4500 or at (www.fftc.org).

Cherokee

Qualla Arts and Crafts Mutual, 645 Tsali Blvd., across from the Museum of the Cherokee Indian, Cherokee. **Ongoing -** Featuring basket weaving, pottery, wood carving, finger weaving, beadwork, stone carving and fine painting by members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. Artisans must go through a juried process to become affiliated with the organization and current membership stands at about 300. Hours: open daily, year round, with seasonal hours. Contact: 828/497-3103 or at (www.cherokee-nc.com). *continued on Page 56*

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