

NC Institutional Galleries

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improve and create more art work. Along with wall art and bin reproductions, the BAL Artists Gallery also includes 3-D art such as sculptures and pottery. Hours: Mon.-Fri., noon-8pm; Sat., 10am-9pm, & Sun. for special events. Contact: 336-584-3005 or at (<https://burlingtonartist-sleague.com/>).

1873 Capt. James & Emma Holt White House, 213 South Main Street, 2 1/2 blocks off I85/40, exit#147, Graham. Home of the Alamance County Arts Council. **Sister Galleries & Suntrust Gallery, Through Mar. 17** - Featuring works by Jessica Wood. **Ongoing** - We are committed to shaping the cultural identity of Alamance County by making art a tangible presence in the lives of its citizens. We strive to enhance the quality of life by engaging people in a diverse array of art through the delivery of programming and education, and through the provision of facilities, advocacy, promotion, and funding. **Ongoing** - Picasso's Gift Shop, located in the Captain White House, promises unique finds of local, regional, and international art. The beautiful arts and craft items sold in the store help support the artist in the community. Featuring a wide variety of art, pottery and glass. Admission: free. Hours: Mon.-Sat., 9am-5pm. Contact: 336/226-4495 or at (www.alamancearts.org).

Albemarle

Falling Rivers Gallery, 330-N Second Street, Albemarle. **Through Mar. 18** - "Dwight J. Dennis Memorial Photography Exhibition & Competition". **Ongoing** - The gallery is a cooperative venue of the Stanly Arts Guild. Member staffed, this gallery offers the very best in local art and crafts including oil and watercolor, photography, pottery and ceramic art, jewelry, native American art, gourd sculpture and much more. Hours: Tue.-Fri., 10am-5pm; Thur. till 6:30pm & Sat., 10am-4pm. Contact: 704/983-4278 or at (www.fallingriversgallery.com).

Asheville Area



Sanford Biggers, "The Past They Brought With Them from The Floating Worlds" series, 2013, paper collage and silkscreen with hand-coloring on rag paper, edition 29/30, publisher: LeRoy Neiman Center for Print Studies, 27 1/2 x 24 inches. Museum purchase with funds provided by 2021 Collectors' Circle members Joey Gigliotti and Steven Gigliotti, Asheville Art Museum. © Sanford Biggers.

Asheville Art Museum, 2 South Pack Square at Pack Place, Asheville. **Through Apr. 24** - "Natural Collector: Gifts of Fleur S. Bresler". The exhibit features around 15 artworks from the collection of Fleur S. Bresler, which include important examples of modern and contemporary American craft including wood and fiber art, as well as glass and ceramics. These works that were generously donated by contemporary craft collector Bresler to the Asheville Art Museum over the years reflect her strong interest in wood-based art and themes of nature. According to Associate Curator Whitney Richardson, "This exhibition highlights artworks that consider the natural element from which they were created or replicate known flora and fauna in unexpected materials. The selection of objects displayed illustrates how Bresler's eye for collecting craft not only draws attention to nature and artists' interest in it, but also accentuates her role as a natural collector with an intuitive ability to identify themes and ideas that speak to one another." **Judith S. Moore Gallery, Through May 15** - "Luzene Hill: Revelate". An enrolled member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, Luzene Hill advocates for Indigenous sovereignty—linguistically, culturally, and individually. "Revelate" builds upon Hill's investigation of pre-contact cultures has led Hill to the idea of Ollin in Aztec cosmology. Before Europeans arrived in North America, Indigenous societies were predominantly matrilineal. Women were considered sacred, involved in the decision-making process, and thrived within communities holding a worldview based on equilibrium. Ollin emphasizes that we are in constant state of motion and discovery of information. Adopted

as an educational framework, particularly in social justice and ethnic studies, Ollin guides individuals through a process of reflection, action, reconciliation, and transformation. This exhibition combines Hill's use of mylar safety blankets alongside recent drawings. Capes constructed of mylar burst with energy and rustle with subtle, the shining material a signifier of care, awareness, displacement, and presence. Though Hill works primarily and sculpture, drawing has increasingly become an essential part of her practice as she seeks to communicate themes of feminine and Indigenous power across her entire body of work. The energy within her drawings extends to the bursts of light reflecting from her capes or the accumulation of materials in other installation works. **Explore Asheville Exhibition Hall, Through May 29** - "Too Much Is Just Right: The Legacy of Pattern and Decoration". In the past 50 years in the United States and beyond, artists have sought to break down social and political hierarchies that include issues of identity, gender, power, race, authority, and authenticity. Unsurprisingly, these decades generated a reconsideration of the idea of pattern and decoration as a third option to figuration and abstraction in art. From 1972 to 1985, artists in the Pattern and Decoration movement worked to expand the visual vocabulary of contemporary art to include ethnically and culturally diverse options that eradicated the barriers between fine art and craft and questioned the dominant minimalist aesthetic. These artists did so by incorporating opulence and bold intricacies garnered from such wide-ranging inspirations as United States quilt-making and Islamic architecture. **Multipurpose Space, Through Mar. 6** - "2023 WNC Regional Scholastic Art Awards". The Museum, with the assistance of its volunteer docents and support from the Asheville Area Section of the American Institute of Architects, is proud to be a regional affiliate partner hosting the WNC Regional Scholastic Art Awards each year. Students in grades 7-12 from all across Western North Carolina are invited to submit work for this special juried competition. The Museum works with the Alliance for Young Artists & Writers to facilitate regional judging of student artwork and to recognize our community's burgeoning artistic talent. **Explore Asheville Exhibition Hall, Through May 29** - "The Past They Brought With Them from The Floating Worlds series by Sanford Biggers". Using paper strips instead of fabric, Sanford Biggers here creates a collage reminiscent of the Log Cabin quilt pattern. Rumors tell of this pattern's use in quilts along the Underground Railroad to show enslaved African Americans where safe houses were located. This idea of encoded quilts related to the Underground Railroad inspired Biggers's The Floating World series, which explores the artform he became interested in after seeing the exhibition "The Quilts of Gee's Bend" at the Whitney Museum of American Art in 2002. Striped patterns, like the Log Cabin, continue to be popular with African American quilters and are still commonly seen in quilts made by the famous African American quilters from Gee's Bend. **Ongoing** - The Asheville Art Museum, the hub for 20th- and 21st-century American art in Western North Carolina, has re-opened to the public. The \$24+ million, state-of-the-art facility encompasses 54,000 square feet and adds 70 percent more Collection gallery space. For the first time in the Museum's history, it has the capacity to host major traveling exhibitions from nationally recognized museums. The expansion increases its physical space and dramatically increases its role as a community center, educational resource, economic engine for WNC, and cultural concierge for the region's residents and visitors. Admission: Yes. Hours: Tue.-Sat., 10am-5pm; Fri. till 8pm & Sun., 1-5pm. Contact: 828/253-3227 or at (www.ashevilleart.org).

Asheville Gallery of Art, Ltd., 82 Patton Avenue, across from Pritchard Park opposite the old location, Asheville. **Ongoing** - Featuring original works of art by 31 local artists in oils, acrylics, watercolor, pastel, encaustic, and prints. Hours: Mon., 11am-6pm & Fri.-Sat., noon-5pm or by appt. Contact: 828/251-5796 or at (www.ashevillegallery-of-art.com).

Black Mountain College Museum + Arts Center, 120 College Street, Asheville. **Ongoing** - An exhibition space dedicated to exploring the history and legacy of the world's most acclaimed experimental educational community, Black Mountain College. Hours: Wed.-Sat., noon-4pm or by appt. Contact: 828/350-8484 or at (www.blackmountaincollege.org).

NC Glass Center, 140 Roberts Street, Suite C, Asheville. **Ongoing** - The North Carolina Glass Center is a non-profit, public access glass studio providing daily educational offerings & demonstrations. We are proud to represent the work of our artists and instructors in the NCGC glass gallery. Hours: Mon., Wed., Thur. & Sun., 10am-5pm

and Fri. & Sat., 10am-6pm. Contact: 828/505-3552 or at (www.ncglasscenter.org).

Odyssey Co-Op Gallery, 238 Clingman Avenue, Asheville. **Ongoing** - Our Gallery features works by 25 local clay artists, working in a variety of styles to create functional and non-functional pottery and works of figurative and abstract sculpture. Winter Hours: Fri.-Mon., 11am-5pm & closed Tue.-Thur. Contact: 828/505-8707 or at (<https://www.odysseycoop-gallery.com/about/>).

Southern Highland Craft Guild, Biltmore Village, 26 Lodge Street, former Biltmore Oteen Bank Building in Biltmore Village, Asheville. **Ongoing** - Featuring a wide range of work by members of the Southern Highland Craft Guild, including: pottery, glass, wood, jewelry, fiber, metal, paper, mixed media and natural materials. Hours: Mon.-Sat., 10am-6pm. Contact: 828-277-6222 or at (www.craftguild.org).



Work by Connie Lippert

Southern Highland Craft Guild at the Folk Art Center, Blue Ridge Parkway Milepost 382, Asheville. **Folk Art Center Auditorium, Apr. 1, from 10am-4pm** - "Glass & Metal Day," a free educational event for the Asheville community. Each year as Spring rolls around, members of the Southern Highland Craft Guild launch their Educational Events programming at the Folk Art Center with Glass & Metal Day on the first Saturday of April. As the nation's second oldest craft organization, the Guild brings awareness to the process of handmade craft through their free & educational events for the community. This is the first of five special events hosted throughout the year in the Folk Art Center's auditorium. For a full list of events, visit (craftguild.org/events). From 10am to 4pm, these master craftsmen will be blacksmithing, glass blowing, piercing and annealing metals, knife making, bezel-ing, repoussé, soldering stained glass, forging and many other processes. **Main Gallery, Through May 3** - "Follow the Thread by Tapestry Weavers South". Tapestry Weavers South is an organization dedicated to advancing the art and craft of tapestry weaving. In 1996 eighteen people interested in tapestry attended a retreat in Dahlonega, Georgia, that became the initial meeting for a regional organization of tapestry weavers. From that meeting Tapestry Weavers South (TWS) was formed. TWS supports the goals of the American Tapestry Alliance (ATA), a national organization. Their membership includes tapestry weavers of all skill levels, primarily in the southeastern states. However, membership in TWS is open to all individuals with an interest in tapestry. **Permanent Collection Gallery, Ongoing** - "Craft Traditions: The Southern Highland Craft Guild Collection". The Guild's Permanent Collection is comprised of approximately 2400 craft objects and dates from the late 19th century to present. Beginning with a donation from Frances Goodrich in 1931, the Permanent Collection serves the Guild's mission of craft conservation and education. This new installation will feature over 200 works that highlight our holdings in traditional art: woodcarving, pottery, dolls, basketry, weavings and furniture. The subject of this ongoing exhibition is craft history – that of the Southern Highland Craft Guild and the Studio Craft Movement. Wells Fargo of Asheville has donated Hardy Davidson's Carvings to the SHCG's Permanent Collection. Hailing from Swannanoa, NC, woodcarver Hardy Davidson became a Guild Member in 1944 and was awarded Life membership in 1973. The Bank of Asheville commissioned these carvings sometime between 1930 and 1940, according to Hardy Davidson's great nephew, Glen Campbell. Almost eight decades later, the carvings have found a new home at the Folk Art Center on the Blue Ridge Parkway. "We are pleased to donate the wooden carvings by Hardy Davidson to the Southern Highland Craft Guild," said Neal DiQuattro, District Manager for Wells Fargo in Asheville. **Focus Gallery, Through May 22** - "Attributes," featuring works

by: Michelle Tway (fiber), Timothy Bridges (fiber), Martine House (mixed media), Noel Yovovich (metal), and Deb Herman (fiber). **Onsite, Mar. - Dec.** - The Southern Highland Craft Guild hosts daily craft demonstrations at the Folk Art Center. Every day from 10am-4pm, two artists of differing medias will explain and demonstrate their craft with informative materials displayed at their booth. These free educational events are open to the public. Visitors will have the opportunity to purchase a piece from the demonstrators, and walk away with fine craft that came to life by the hands of its maker. Viewers are invited to discuss craft, ask questions, and learn the importance of preserving these practices whilst visiting the Folk Art Center. Hours: daily from 9am-6pm. Contact: call 828/298-7928 or at (www.southernhighlandguild.org).

Southern Highland Craft Guild on Tunnel Road, 930 Tunnel Road, Asheville. **Ongoing** - Work by members of the Southern Highland Craft Guild in various media. Hours: Mon.-Sat., 9:30am-5pm. Contact: 828/298-7903.

YMI Gallery, YMI Cultural Center, 39 S. Market Street @ Eagle Street, Asheville. **Ongoing** - "In the Spirit of Africa". Featuring traditional and contemporary African masks, figurative woodcarvings, beadwork, jewelry, and textiles. Discover the purpose of mask and sculptures, which reflect African ancestral heritage and learn to appreciate symbolism and abstraction in African art. **YMI Conference Room, Ongoing** - "Forebears & Trailblazers: Asheville's African American Leaders, 1800s-1900s". The permanent exhibit offers a pictorial history of African-Americans from throughout Western North Carolina. Photographs of both influential and everyday people create a panorama of the variety of life among blacks in the mountain region. Here are the young and old, the prominent and the unknown, the men and women who helped create our city's life. **YMI Drugstore Gallery, Ongoing** - "Mirrors of Hope and Dignity". A moving and powerful collection of drawings by the renowned African-American artist Charles W. White. **Entry, Ongoing** - "George Vanderbilt's Young Men's Institute, 1892-Present". Admission: Yes. Hours: Tue.-Fri., 10am-5pm. Contact: 828/252-4614.



Work by Andrea Rich

ALTERNATE ART SPACES - Asheville
The North Carolina Arboretum, Milepost 393, Blue Ridge Parkway, 100 Frederick Law Olmsted Way, Asheville. **Baker Exhibit Center Gallery, Through May 14** - "An Abundance of Riches: Woodcuts of Andrea Rich". Rich's intricately designed, carved, and printed woodcuts draw viewers in for an up-close look. Some of the artist's earliest memories are of drawing animals. Childhood encounters with pets, livestock, and wildlife, including birds, deer, and toads, created a lasting connection to the natural world. Through encounters with creatures both tame and wild, Rich developed a fascination and a compassion for animals integral to her art. **Ongoing** - The Asheville Quilt Guild features a permanent, rotating quilt exhibit at Arboretum's Education Center. Visitors can also enjoy the Arboretum's Quilt Garden year-round, with plantings and patterns that change with the seasons. Admission: Yes. Hours: Education Center hours: Mon.-Sat., 9am-5pm. Contact: 828/665.2492 or at (www.ncarboretum.org).

Beaufort

Mattie King Davis Art Gallery, historic Rustell House of the Beaufort Historical Association, 100 Block Turner Street, Beaufort. **Ongoing** - The Mattie King Davis Art Gallery, Carteret County's Oldest Gallery, is housed in one of the Historic Site's oldest buildings and features over 100 local and regional artists. An extensive collection of fine art, pottery, crafts, and gifts can be found at this special gallery. Hours: Mon.-Sat., 10am-4pm. Contact: 252/728-5225 or at (<https://beauforthistoric.org/gallery/>).

Blowing Rock

Blowing Rock Art and History Museum, corner of Chestnut and Main streets, downtown Blowing Rock. **Through May 14** - "Recent Acquisitions to BRAHM's Permanent Collection." The exhibition highlights 16 artworks including gifts and promised gifts to the Permanent Collection. "Recent Acquisitions" presents new additions to BRAHM's vault in light of some of the different ways objects might come into a museum's col-

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