

of legions of fellow travelers from around the world. It has emerged from an early 1980s focus on painting and the discussion of Cuban mixed cultural heritage to incisive questioning, critique and insertion of the body in contemporary narratives of the present. The work in this exhibition builds upon a dialogue of culture, history, art and identity and define the core of who Maria Magdalena Campos-Pons is as a woman, an expatriate and a Cuban. **Through June 19** - "John & Vivian Hewitt Collection of African-American Art". This is the first time the collection will have been shown in its entirety in Charlotte. The Hewitt Collection of African-American Art consists of works by renowned artists including Romare Bearden, regarded as one of the greatest American artists of his generation; Henry Ossawa Tanner, one of the first African-American artists to achieve acclaim in both America and Europe; Elizabeth Catlett; Jonathan Green; Jacob Lawrence; Ann Tanksley; and Hale Woodruff. Bank of America acquired the Hewitt Collection in 1998 from John and Vivian Hewitt, and pledged it as a cornerstone of the Gantt Center's permanent collection. **Through June 19** - "Black Music After 1968: The Photography of Jim Alexander," features highlights of Alexander's career. He is a master at capturing the expressive relationship between performer and audience and has spent almost 50 years photographing black musicians as far flung as jazz greats Duke Ellington and Miles Davis to popular musicians Michael Jackson and James Brown. Hours: Tue.-Sat., 10am-5pm & Sun. 1-5pm. Contact: 704/547-3700 or at (www.ganttcenter.org).

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).

Levine Museum of the New South, 200 E. Seventh St., corner of College St & Seventh St., Charlotte. **Through Jan. 22, 2012** - "COURAGE: The Carolina Story That Changed America". In celebration of our 20th anniversary, the Museum is bringing back "COURAGE: The Carolina Story That Changed America," appearing in Charlotte for the first time since 2004. The exhibit tells the powerful grassroots story of the Rev. J.A. De Laine and the other brave citizens of Clarendon County, S.C., who brought the first lawsuit in America challenging racial segregation in public schools. Combined with four other national lawsuits, the result was the 1954 Supreme Court decision *Brown v. Board of Education*, which ruled that racial segregation of schools was unconstitutional, subsequently initiating massive change in race relations in the US. **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).

McColl Center for Visual Art, 721 North Tryon Street, Charlotte. **Apr. 15 - Aug. 19** - "The Green Shadow," featuring an exhibit of works by Jeff Schmuki and Heather Lewis. An opening reception will be held on Apr. 15, from 6-9pm. A closing reception will be held on Aug. 18, from 6-9pm. Hours: Tue.-Sat., 11am-4pm. Contact: 704/332-5535 or at (www.mccollcenter.org).

Mint Museum Randolph, 2730 Randolph Road, Charlotte. **Through Apr. 3** - "Mary Cassatt's Madame X: A Masterpiece from the Charlotte and Philip Hanes Collection". The exhibition will give visitors an intimate look at "Madame X Dressed for the Matinée" (1878), which comes from the collection of Charlotte and Philip Hanes of Winston-Salem, NC, who have generously placed it on long-term loan at the Mint. The exhibit examines the painting's place in Cassatt's oeuvre, discuss the sitter's identity, and present period fashions and decorative objects from the artist's era. After the exhibition closes, the painting will be integrated into the American art galleries at the new Mint Museum Uptown. **Through Dec. 31, 2011** - "Of Hounds and Men: Rockingham Pottery from the Lewis Collection". The term "Rockingham" refers to a rich brown glaze that received its characteristic color through the addition of manganese. It was first made in England in the late eighteenth century, but a few decades later the technique spread to the United States, where it became a standard of many potters—especially those in the Northeast, Maryland, and Ohio. American potters initially followed the English example of dipping their wares in the glaze to achieve a solid brown surface, but they soon switched to dripping, sponging, or splattering the glaze on the ceramic body in order to achieve a pleasing, mottled effect. By 1845, Rockingham pottery dominated the American ceramics

industry, and it remained immensely popular for the rest of the century. **Through Dec. 31, 2011** - "Threads of Identity: Contemporary Maya Textiles". Maya peoples of Guatemala and south-eastern Mexico are renowned for their time-honored tradition of magnificent attire. Throughout the world, clothing transforms the biological body into a socio-cultural being, integrating the person into the community. Among the Maya, dress is an outward expression of cultural pride. Dress also conveys one's place in the world, signaling social identity and geographic origin or current community. **Through Dec. 31, 2011** - "The Golden Age of English Art". The 18th century witnessed the "Golden Age of English Art" in which artists explored the variety and abundance of the times. Portraiture ranked high as ordinary individuals, like those in the upper ranks, sought to have their likenesses and achievements documented by artists of note. Satire came into vogue in which art was used to lampoon individuals and situations from those royal to everyday mundane. No aspect of English life was exempt from the artist's eye, which recorded the triumphs, achievements and changes that occurred in society. **Through Dec. 31, 2011** - "Chinese Court Robes: The Mint Museum Collection". In 1644, the Manchu-Qing nomads took control over China. To further exert their power over the defeated Han population, the Manchu imposed dress codes for their ruling imperial family to distinguish these individuals from the general citizenry. Court robes of this era display a rich ornamentation of symbolism and decorative representations of the Manchu cosmos. **Through Dec. 31, 2011** - "The Transformed Self: Performance Masks of Mexico". Public performances of epic tales, historical events and religious narratives are a key part of modern life in Mexico. The performer's mask is a vehicle of transformation that physically and psychologically converts the wearer into the character portrayed by the dancer. **Through Dec. 31, 2011** - "Northern European Art from The Mint Museum Collection". As Renaissance Art styles of the 15th century spread from Italy to the northern European countries, they adapted and changed to accommodate local artistic preferences and cultural ideals. In addition to portraits and historical scenes, there appeared popular scenes of peasant life, townscapes, pastoral landscapes, still lifes and maritime paintings, among others. **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 Gallery** - Featuring a presentation of portraits with many fascinating images presented. **Rankin Gallery** - Featuring a presentation of the Romare Bearden Collection, including two "new" Beardens. **Harris and Crist Galleries** - Featuring some contemporary works that are new to the collection or have not been seen for a while. **Delhom Gallery, Ongoing** - The European Collection of ceramic works. Admission: Yes. Hours: Tue., 10am-9pm (free every Tue. from 5-9pm); Wed.-Sat., 10am-6pm; and Sun., 1-5pm. Closed Mon. and major holidays. Contact: 704/337-2000 or at (www.mintmuseum.org).



Work by Gary Lee Noffke

Mint Museum Uptown, Levine Center for the Arts, 500 South Tryon St., Charlotte. **Apr. 2 - Sept. 11** - "Attitude and Alchemy: The Metalwork of Gary Noffke". Gary Lee Noffke has been described as "a pacesetter" and the "ultimate maverick." For nearly 50 years, he has consistently and simultaneously created jewelry, hollowware, and flatware, passionately exploring surface, form, and function. Beginning in the 1970s, Noffke's work gained national attention. A metalsmith's metalsmith known for his graffiti-like surface treatment, Noffke challenged metalworking traditions with his expressive spontaneous approach and sense of humor. Over the course of his career, he has received numerous accolades particularly for his technical prowess, hot forging research, the development of numerous alloys, and his ability to embrace and challenge tradition. **Through Apr. 17** - "New Visions: Contemporary Masterworks from the Bank of America Collection". The Mint Museum and Bank of America will collaborate to present an exhibition comprising over 60 works from the bank's Art Collection.

Widely regarded as one of the world's finest corporate art collections, the Bank of America Collection is noted for its high quality, stylistic diversity, historical depth and attention to regional identity, featuring works by Milton Avery, Jennifer Bartlett, Roger Brown, John Chamberlain, Janet Fish, Helen Frankenthaler, Sam Gilliam, John Marin, Elizabeth Murray, Louise Nevelson, Jules Olitski, Edward Ruscha, Miriam Schapiro and Frank Stella, among others. **Through May 29** - "VantagePoint IX – Janet Biggs: Going to Extremes". From a kayaker navigating threatening Arctic waters to a NASCAR pit crew racing against the clock, Biggs' video subjects tend to lead her to extremes. Biggs has been creating and exhibiting videos and video installations for nearly 20 years. Examining themes of speed, precision, personal discipline, gender roles, spectatorship, and calculated risk, her videos capture the athleticism of performance juxtaposed with danger. A common thread within her subjects is their willingness to undertake extraordinary risks - even brushes with death - in pursuit of the sublime. **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: Tue., 10am-9pm (free every Tue. from 5-9pm); Wed.-Sat., 10am-6pm; and Sun., 1-5pm. Closed Mon. and major holidays. Contact: 704/337-2000 or at (www.mintmuseum.org).

Pease Auditorium Gallery, Central Piedmont Community College, Central Campus, Pease Lane & Elizabeth Ave., Charlotte. **Through May 6** - "CPCC's Annual Juried Student Art Show". A reception will be held on Apr. 27, from 4-6pm. Hours: Mon., Wed., & Fri., 9am-4pm and Tue. & Thur., 1-4pm. Contact: 704-330-6668 or at (www.cpcc.edu/art_gallery).

Rowe Arts Galleries, Rowe Arts Building, UNC-Charlotte, Charlotte. **Upper Rowe Gallery, Through Apr. 1** - "The Happy Crowd," featuring color photography by Katie Shannon and Psychometry or THAT Old Black and White Magic by Carol Golemboski. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 10am-4pm. Contact: 704/547-3315.

The Light Factory Contemporary Museum of Photography and Film, @ Spirit Square Galleries, 345 N. College St., Charlotte. **Middleton McMillan Gallery, Through May 15** - "Body & Soul". Over the years, photographers have experimented with figurative subject matter in a variety of creative ways and continue to explore the abstract potential of the human form today. Body & Soul will feature the work of renowned photographers Joyce Tenneson, Jock Sturges, and Mona Kuhn. A reception will be held on Feb. 17, from 6-9pm. **Knight Gallery, Through May 22** - "Lydia Panas, Tatiana Bring the Family". As we work through our hectic and busy schedules, we often realize at the end of the day what is truly important. In Bring the Family, photographers Tina Barney, Lydia Panas, Catalina Kulczar-Marin, and Natalie Young explore the need for family, friends, and home in its various forms and their understanding of the theme as it touches all aspects of life. A reception will be held on Feb. 17, from 6-9pm. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 9am-6pm; Sat., noon-5pm & Sun., 1-5pm. Contact: 704/333-9755 or at (www.lightfactory.org).

ALTERNATE ART SPACES - Charlotte **At the Barn**, McAlpine Business Park, 8300 Monroe Road, Charlotte. **May 14, 2011, 10am-4pm** - "Carolina Claymatters Pottery Guild 2011 Spring Pottery Sale". More than 45 skilled clay artists will present their work ranging from functional work to whimsical items for the home and garden. All colors, shapes, sizes and styles will be on hand. Pots for any and every occasion! Items for the more serious collector will be on display, and for sale, as well. Carolina Claymatters is a nonprofit organization of regional clay artists which provides a forum for the exchange of creative ideas and information between artisans as well as the local community. Contact: Valerie Hawkins at 704/563-7766 or visit (www.carolinaclaymatters.org).

Southpark's Morrison Development, 720 Governor Morrison Street, Charlotte. **May 5 - 7, 2011** - "2nd Annual Carolina Art Soirée," featuring an art show to benefit The GBS/CIDP Foundation International. Participating artists include Pam Anderson, Wendy Bilas, Laura Bowers, Dianne Britton, Stuart Coleman Budd, Curt Butler, Zan Byrd, Allison Chambers, Theresa Clark, Shalimar Crosby, Christina Dowdy, Jenny Fuller, Eloise Gamble, Lita Gatlin, Grace Howell, Christine Keogh, Robert Langford, Esther Melton, Anne Neilson, Angela Nesbit, Windy O'Connor, Liz Orvos, Allison Pell, Dillard Richardson, Laurie Richardson, Margaret Salisbury, Caroline Simas, Libby Smart, and

Gina Strumpf. The art show will also feature the work of homeless artists from Urban Ministry Center's ArtWorks 945 program. Forty percent of art sales will be donated to GBS/CIDP research, education and advocacy. Hours: May 5, 5:30-9:30pm (reception- a suggested donation of \$20 per couple will be accepted at the door); May 6, 11am-3pm; and May 7, 10am-noon. Contact: Hannah Blanton at 704-365-2422 or at (<http://carolinaartsoiree.squarespace.com>).

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).

Concord

Cabarrus Arts Council Galleries, Historic Courthouse, 65 Union Street, Concord. **Through May 19** - "Imprints - Impressions - Improvisations". Artworks in the exhibit will be featuring impressed designs, traditional impressionistic approaches and the marvel of improvisation. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 10am-4pm and the 2nd Sat. of each month. Contact: 704/920-2787 or at (www.cabarrusartscouncil.org).

Cullowhee

Fine Art Museum, Fine & Performing Arts Center, Western Carolina University, Cullowhee. **Through Apr. 11** - "2011 Jackson County Youth Art Month Exhibit," featuring artwork of regional school children. A reception and awards presentation will take place on Apr. 10, from 1-3pm. **Apr. 7 - May 6** - "School of Art & Design 43rd Annual Art Student Juried Exhibition". An independently juried exhibition featuring the best of new and innovative creative expression in a variety of media by undergraduates of the School of Art & Design. This year's jurors include Jolene Mechanic, curator of Flood Gallery Fine Art Center and Cameron Campbell-Wilkens, Design Strategist. **Through Apr. 29** - "Susan Harbage Page". School of Art & Design Spring 2011 Artist in Residence, Page, creates large-scale photographs, altered textiles, videos and installations that address such concerns as race and gender, identity, politics and immigration. **Through May 27** - "Boundless: Selections from the Book Arts Collection". The exhibit explores a wide variety of formats and structures of the Artist Book, a synthesis of form and content which provides a bridge between the traditional book and contemporary art. This exhibit will include a variety of artists including noted Book Artists like Joni Mabe and Dieter Roth as well unique books by photographers, sculptors and painters like Ed Ruscha. **Ongoing** - "Worldviews," featuring selections from the Permanent Collection and new acquisitions featuring regional, national and international artists' works in all media. Hours: Tue.- Fri., 10am-4pm & Sat., 1-4pm. Contact: 828/227-3591 or at (<http://www.wcu.edu/museum/>).

Mountain Heritage Center, ground floor of Robinson Admin. Building, Western Carolina University, Cullowhee. **Gallery A, Ongoing** - "Migration of the Scotch-Irish People". Hours: Mon.-Fri., 8am-5pm Sun., 2-5pm. Contact: 828/227-7129 or (www.wcu.edu/mhc).

Durham

Central Carolina Bank Gallery, The Durham Art Guild, Royall Center for the Arts, 120 Morris Street, Durham. **Through Apr. 17** - "In These Woods," featuring photographs by Jesse Chehak. **Through Apr. 17** - "People of the Forest," featuring photographs by Jason Houston and stories by William deBuys. Hours: Mon.-Sat., 9am-9pm & Sun., 1-6pm. Contact: 919/560-2713 or at (www.durhamartguild.org).

Fredric Jameson Gallery, Friedl Building, 1600 Campus Dr., Duke University East Campus, Durham. **Through May 1** - "al margen: Photographs of Latin America and the Caribbean by Petra Barth," featuring a retrospective of 40 gelatin silver prints by this award-winning photographer. Hours: daily 8am-6pm, while school is in session. Contact: 919/660-5968 or at (www.library.duke.edu/exhibits).

Center for Documentary Studies at Duke University, 1317 West Pettigrew Street, Durham. **Kreps Gallery, Through July 10** - "Jazz in New York: A Community of Visions, Photographs by Lourdes Delgado". This exhibit looks at contemporary musicians such as David Sanborn, Christian McBride and others. Hours: Mon.-Thur, 9am-7pm; Fri., 9am-5pm; Sat., 11am-4pm; & Sun., 1-5pm. Contact: 919/660-3663 or at

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