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Evans, among others. In comparing Welty's work to Levitt's photographs of New York, critic John Szarkowski wrote, "Like those of Levitt, Welty's photographs do not show us the only truths of her subjects' lives; perhaps they show us only the rarest and most evanescent truths, in which case we are the more grateful for these proofs of their existence." **East Building, Level B, Allen G. Thomas Jr. Photography Gallery, Through Sept. 3** - "You + Me". The photographs featured in this exhibit reveal the complexities of relationships, particularly those between two people: mother and daughter, a married couple, two friends, colleagues, multiple generations, and neighbors. Each photograph shows the gray spaces among independence and dependence, vulnerability and resistance, or compassion and indifference. An even more complicated relationship is that of the photographer and his or her subjects. The camera calls into question the candidness of the relationship in the portrait, whether it changes because it is seen through a lens. Artists in the exhibition include Ralph Burns, Sue de Beer, Harry Callahan, Carolyn DeMeritt, Sarah Anne Johnson, Deborah Luster, Danny Lyon, Barbara Morgan, Caroline Vaughan, Alec Soth, and Luis Rey Velasco. **East Building, Meymandi Exhibition Gallery, Through June 18** - "Glory of Venice: Renaissance Paintings 1470-1520," featuring 50 paintings by such masters as Giorgione, Giovanni Bellini, and Vittore Carpaccio, many of which have never been seen outside of Venice. The exhibition features 50 paintings and a significant group of printed books and individual pages that illustrate a crucial period in the history of Venetian art and culture, widely regarded as one of the most exciting chapters in the history of Western art. It features masterworks from the world-renowned collection of the Gallerie dell'Accademia in Venice: major altarpieces, private devotional paintings, secular works, and portraits by Giovanni Bellini, Vittore Carpaccio, Cima da Conegliano, Giorgione, and Titian. This rare selection includes works that have never before traveled across the Atlantic; it is supplemented with significant Venetian paintings from U.S. collections, including six from the NCMA. **NCMA Park** - The North Carolina Museum of Art (NCMA) announces new works of art to be installed in the 164-acre NCMA Park. The works include a bronze tree by Italian artist Giuseppe Penone, a playful pair of benches designed by Hank Willis Thomas, and a 10-day installation of 23-foot-tall illuminated rabbits by Australian artist Amanda Parer. The sculptures will be featured at the NCMA's Park Celebration on Nov. 6, when the public is invited to experience the newly expanded Park with a variety of outdoor activities. **Ongoing** - Featuring 10 additional sculptures by the celebrated French artist Rodin on loan from Iris Cantor's private collection. **Ongoing** - "John James Audubon's The Birds of America". The state has owned this treasured volume since 1848, but it has never been exhibited. **Ongoing** - The North Carolina Museum of Art has an outstanding permanent collection of more than 5,000 objects spanning antiquity to the present day. On the occasion of the expansion, the Museum has acquired more than 100 new works of art. Representing commissions, gifts, and purchases, the new works encompass important and diverse examples of historic and contemporary art from around the world, and will be installed in the Museum's new building and the surrounding landscape. Highlights include a gift of 28 sculptures by Auguste Rodin, and work by such internationally acclaimed artists as Roxy Paine, Ursula von Rydingsvard, El Anatsui, Jaume Plensa, Jackie Ferrara, Ellsworth Kelly, and David Park, among others. Admission: Yes for some exhibits. Hours: Tue.-Sat., 9am-5pm; Sun., 10am-5pm; & open until 9pm on Fri. Contact: 919/839-6262 or at (www.ncartmuseum.org).

North Carolina Museum of History, 5 East Edenton Street, (between Salisbury and Wilmington Streets), Raleigh. **Ongoing** - Featuring exhibits dealing with North Carolina's history as a theme. Admission: Free. Hours: Mon.-Sat., 9am-5pm & Sun., noon-5pm. Contact: 919/807-7900 or at (<http://www.ncmuseumofhistory.org/>).

Rocky Mount

Maria V. Howard Arts Center, Imperial Centre for the Arts and Sciences, 270 Gay Street, Rocky Mount. **June 9 - Sept. 10** - "Women of the Red Earth," featuring works by Tonya Locklear and Marjorie Labadie. **June 9 - Sept. 10** - "Distant Transmissions," featuring works by Christine Zuercher. **June 9 - Sept. 10** - "Juried Art Show," juried by Harriet Hoover. **June 16 - Aug. 13** - "Backstage Pass: Baron Wolman and the Early Years of the Rolling Stone". This season's exhibits include a fun look at some of the most iconic magazine covers and behind the scenes action from Rolling Stone magazine, a poetry and art

collaborative exhibit highlighting the struggle of Native Americans, an exhibit that will literally encourage you to explore the outer limits of space, and a National Juried Art show that will highlight works of art from around the country. There is something for everyone this summer at the Maria V. Howard Art Center. Hours: Tue.-Sat., 10am-5pm & Sun., 1-5pm. Contact: 252/972-1163 or at (www.imperialcentre.org/arts).



Work by Marion Weathers

Mims Art Gallery, Dunn Center for the Performing Arts, NC Wesleyan College Campus, 3400 N. Wesleyan Blvd., Rocky Mount. **Through Aug. 13** - "Vollis Visionaries: Art in Motion," featuring paintings by Marion Weathers and photographs by Ron Sowers. A reception will be held on May 19, from 7-8:30pm. Weathers and Sowers, both have been inspired by world famous NC folk artist the late Vollis Simpson and his whirlygigs. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 9am-5pm & Sat., 9am-noon. Contact: call 252/985-5268 or at (www.ncwc.edu/Arts/Mims/).

Rutherfordton

Rutherford County Visual Arts Center & Gallery, 160 N. Main Street, at the intersection of W. Court St., Rutherfordton. **Ongoing** - Offering a changing exhibit of 2D and 3D art including oils, watercolor, scratchboard, calligraphy, fiber, wood, glass, pottery and fine craft by local artists/fine crafters. Hours: Tue.-Sat., 10am-3pm. Contact: 828/288-5009 or at (<http://www.rcvag.com/>).

Seagrove Area

Carolina Bronze Sculpture Garden, 6108 Maple Springs Road, Seagrove. **Ongoing** - The Carolina Bronze Sculpture Garden is a natural and landscaped area overlooking a beautiful 1.25 acre pond. A walking trail loops around the pond with benches and a picnic area along the trail. The Sculpture Garden collection consists of donated and loaned sculptures from emerging and established artists working in all 3D media suitable for the outdoors. There are currently 19 sculptures installed around the pond. The landscaped and natural areas have a focus on NC native plants and trees. As an extension of this park, a sculpture is installed in the downtown area of Seagrove. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 8:30am-4pm. Contact: 336/873-8291 or at (www.cbsculpturegarden.com).

Seagrove Area Pottery Center (Not the NC Pottery Center), 122 E. Main St., Seagrove. **Ongoing** - The former museum organization was founded twenty-five years ago in Seagrove, and is dedicated to preserving and perpetuating the pottery tradition. We strive to impart to new generations the history of traditional pottery and an appreciation for its simple and elegant beauty. A display of area pottery is now offered in the old Seagrove grocery building. Hours: Mon.-Sat., 9:30am-3:30pm. Contact: 336/873-7887.

North Carolina Pottery Center, 233 East Avenue, Seagrove. **Through July 22** - "Great Pots: From the Traditions of North & South Carolina." A reception will be held on May 6, from noon-2pm. Also the same afternoon, there will be a panel discussion: "NC vs. SC: Which Tradition is Better?" from 2-3:30pm, featuring several collectors. While the North Carolina and South Carolina traditions are linked by history, culture, and material, significant stylistic differences exist between the two, as individual potters used their consummate skills to give singular voice to their time and place. The last thirty years has seen extraordinary levels of interest in this regional ceramic heritage, and "Great Pots" brings together several voices to examine the aesthetics, folklore, archeology, and collection of this mighty, shared tradition. A catalog/book will be available for purchase with this exhibition curated and edited by Mark Hewitt, with essays by Charles (Terry) Zug, Linda Carnes-McNaughton, and Phillip Wingard, Photography by Jason Dowdle with book design by Rich Hendel. **Ongoing** - Featuring permanent and changing exhibits on the history of North Carolina pottery, "The North Carolina Pottery Tradition" and "Seagrove Area Pottery". The Center also offers information on activi-

ties, maps and information about the potteries located in the Seagrove area and across the state. A display of representative works from more than 90 area potteries is also offered. Hours: Tue.-Sat., 10am-4pm. Contact 336/873-8430 or at (www.ncpotterycenter.org).

STARworks Center for Creative Enterprise, 100 Russell Drive, just seven miles south of Seagrove in Star. **June 8 - 11** - "Woodfire NC," an international wood fire conference. Panelists, lecturers and demonstrators will explore all aspects of wood firing during the three-day conference. Topics will include the historical, ethical and environmental aspects pertaining to the field. Panelists will discuss the role of clay in the firing process, along with loading, cooling, color, kiln design and marketing wood fired pots. There are 60 wood fire ceramic artists participating in the main conference. A series of pre-conference wood firing workshops will take place May 26 - June 7 in Asheville and Seagrove, NC. A full schedule of events for both pre-conferences and the main conference can be found online at (www.woodfirenc.com). Woodfire NC is sponsored in part by STARworks Ceramics, North Carolina Pottery Center, National Endowment of the Arts, North Carolina Arts Council, The Log Book and Larkin. **Ongoing** - The gallery features hand crafted glass and ceramic items. The gallery will feature work from STARworks staff artists, interns and resident artists, as well as local ceramic artists and glass artists from across the Southeast. Gallery Hours: Mon.-Sat., 9am-5pm. Contact: (www.starworksnc.org).

Siler City

Throughout Siler City, June 16, 6-9pm - "Siler City Art Walk," featuring exhibits at many of the city's exhibit spaces, live entertainment, artist demonstrations, food, local wine or beer tastings, offered in town on the 3rd Fri. of the month. Hosted by the North Carolina Arts Incubator. Contact: 919/663-2072 or at (www.ncartsincubator.org).

North Carolina Arts Incubator Gallery, 223 N Chatham Ave., Siler City. **Ongoing** - Featuring the handcrafted work of over 30 Incubator and regional artists in a variety of mediums including painting, pottery, stained and fused glass, fabric art, cards, photography, wood, jewelry, metal, baskets and more. There is a broad range of items and prices. Hours: Mon.-Sat., 10am-5pm; & 3rd Fri., 10am-9pm. Contact: 919/663-2072 or at (www.ncartsincubator.org).

PAF Gallery, 223 N Chatham Ave., Siler City. **Ongoing** - A gallery featuring works by local and regional artists. Hours: 3rd Fri. 6-9pm. Contact: 919/663-2072 or at (www.ncartsincubator.org).

Southport

Franklin Square Gallery, 130 E. West St., Southport. **Ongoing** - Works by members of the Associated Artists of Southport. Hours: Mon.-Sat., 10am-5pm. Contact: 910/457-5450 or at (www.franklinsquaregallery.com).

Spruce Pine

Throughout Mitchell and Yancey Counties, June 2 - 4, from 10am to 5pm - "Toe River Studio Tour." We have 53 studio sites with 83 artists, in one of the largest and longest running studio tours in the country; you will find craftspeople and artists in nearly every medium, many tops in their field—from clay to glass, fiber to paper, 2 and 3-dimensional work, soap to candles, jewelry, metal, recycled and waiting to be used. The tour is a FREE, self-guided trip that will lead you to some unique places in our community that is situated between Mt. Mitchell and Roan Mountain. Studios are cleaned and open, usually with snacks and a smile. For more information about the Studio Tour, visit the website at (www.toeriverarts.org) or call 828/682-7215 (Burnsville) or 828/765-0520 (Spruce Pine).

TRAC Arts Center, Toe River Arts Council. 269 Oak Avenue, Spruce Pine. **Through June 4** - "Toe River Studio Tour Exhibition," featuring works by tour participants. A reception will be held on June 2, from 5:30-7:30pm. This is an opportunity to view some of the riches of this area and plan your weekend of travel and search. Tour guides containing maps and locations of participating artists are now available at both TRAC galleries, participant studios, local businesses, and online at (www.toeriverarts.org). **July 15 - Aug. 19** - "Inheritance," the show will feature the works of Jill Eberle, Kiki Farish, Jane Wells Harrison, and Jerry Jackson. A reception will be held on July 15, from 5-7pm. The artists will toast Paul Hartley's contribution, talk about their own work, and encourage and engage visitor comment. Each has a story to tell about their relationship with master painting professor, Paul Hartley who died in 2010. Hours: Tue.-Sat., 10:30am-5pm. Mon.-Sat., 10:30am-5pm. Contact: 828/682-7215

or at (www.toeriverarts.org).

Sylva

Gallery One, Main Street, Sylva. **Ongoing** - Home of the Jackson County Visual Arts Association. The association has also offered workshops: including utilizing social media, book binding, drawing and art history. Exhibitions usually include paintings, photographs, sculptures and occasionally contemporary crafts. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 1pm-4pm and by appt. Contact: Tim Lewis 828/337-3468 or James Smythe 828/507-4248.

Tryon

Tryon Arts and Crafts School, 373 Harmon Field Rd., in the old Tryon Middle School, Tryon. **Gallery & Gift Shop, Ongoing** - Gift Shop features juried works by regional artisans to selected work produced by our instructors and students. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 10am-4pm & Sat. 10am-1pm. Contact: 828/859-8323 or at (www.tryonartsandcrafts.org).

Upstairs Artspace, 49 South Trade Street, Tryon. **Through June 16** - The Upstairs Artspace presents three unique exhibits featuring photography, painting and sculpture by a group of accomplished artists from the Upstate-South Carolina. On the main level photographs by Jane Dorn and Jo Carol Mitchell-Rogers can be seen as well as painter/watercolor artist Connie Bostic in our Small Works Gallery. On the lower level painters Addam Duncan, Annette Giaco, Ludovic Nkoth, Nancy O'Dell-Keim, Beth Regula, and Dwight Rose along with wall art sculptor Glenda Guion with their show curated by Scott Cunningham. Hours: Tue.-Sat., 11am-5pm. Contact: 828-859-2828 or at (www.upstairsartspace.org).

Valdese

Valdese Heritage Arts Center, 146 Main Street West, Valdese. **Ongoing** - The center offers a great selection of unique gifts on exhibit and for sale, including, but not limited to original paintings, pottery, needlework, wood-carvings, hand crafted furniture, ceramic sculptures, stained glass, photography, jewelry, floral arrangements greeting cards, quilts and home made soap. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 9am-5pm & Sat., 11am-3pm. Contact: 828/874-1849 or at (<http://vhac.webs.com>).

Washington

River Walk Gallery and Arts Center, 139 W. Main Street, Washington. **Ongoing** - All work is done by local artists and has to be juried into the gallery. The gallery includes watercolor, oil, and acrylic paintings, photography, pottery, mixed media, fiber arts, jewelry, wood work, stained glass, and books written by local authors. Hours: Mon.-Sat., 10:30am-5pm. Contact: 252/974-0400.

Waynesville

Little Gallery on Church Street, 37 Church Street, Waynesville. **Ongoing** - Featuring monthly exhibits by regional arts. Sponsored by the Haywood County Arts Council. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 9am-5pm. Contact: 828/452-0593, e-mail at (info@haywoodarts.org) or at (www.haywoodarts.org).

The Haywood County Arts Council's Gallery 86, 86 N. Main Street, Waynesville. **Ongoing** - The gallery lends itself to showcase high quality fine art by local and regional artists. Hours: Mon.-Sat., 10am-5pm. Contact: 828/452-0593 or at (www.haywoodarts.org).

The Museum of North Carolina Handicrafts, 307 Shelton Street, corner of US 276 So. and Shelton Street, Waynesville. **Ongoing** - Featuring the handicrafts of North Carolina in the historic Sheldon House. Hours: Museum hours change seasonally, call 828/452-1551.

Wentworth

Dan River Art Market & Gallery, 1122 NC Hwy. 65, Wentworth. **Ongoing** - The gallery offers art and craft by local artists and 6 gallery exhibits throughout the year, workshops and lectures. Hours: Thur., 10am-4pm; Fri., 11am-2pm; and by appt. Contact: 336/349-4039 or at (www.artsinrockingham.org).

Wilmington

Ann Flack Boseman Gallery, Fisher University Union, 2nd Floor, UNC - Wilmington, Wilmington. **Through Aug. 4** - "It's A Blue World After All". A collaborative exhibit featuring photographs from UNCW's Plastic Ocean Project organization and research from the UNCW Chemistry department visually communicating the growing problem with plastics pollution, this exhibit will showcase to viewers how powerful, beautiful, and critical our oceans are to our everyday lives. The art in this exhibit

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