

# The Bascom in Highlands, NC

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The Bascom: A Center for the Visual Arts is located in Highlands, NC. The Bascom focuses on providing excellent free admission exhibitions, a robust education department with art classes for people of all ages, and an expansive outreach program consisting of numerous partnerships with local nonprofit organizations.

For further check our NC Institutional Gallery listings, call the Center at 828/526-4949 or visit ([www.thebascom.org](http://www.thebascom.org)).

## Caldwell Arts Council in Lenoir, NC, Presents the Happy Valley Fiddlers Convention - Aug. 30 - Sept. 1, 2019

The Caldwell Arts Council in Lenoir, NC, will present the Happy Valley Fiddlers Convention, at Jones Farm, located at 3590 NC-268, Lenoir NC 28645, from Aug. 30-Sept. 1, 2019, Labor Day Weekend.

Experience a perfect Labor Day Weekend on the banks of the Yadkin River, surrounded by mountain music, dance, food, and beautiful scenery.

Festival fun begins at 7pm Friday, featuring a community dance with mountain music, cake walks, open caller mic & more.

Saturday is packed with great entertainment! Eight categories of music competitions begin at 10am. The Youth JAM Tent offers performances by talented young musicians. Non-music and children's activities include hayrides, storytelling, children's crafts, and rock stacking in the river.

The weekend concludes with a Sunday concert featuring a lineup of folk music, blues, gospel, old-time, Cajun and bluegrass musicians including The Harris Brothers, Strictly Clean & Decent, the Burnett Sisters Band, the Jeff Little Trio and more, starting at 11am.

When was the last time you had the privilege of sitting on the banks of a mountain river with music echoing throughout the hills around you? Come for a day, or camp for the weekend.

Admission includes: Friday FREE; Saturday \$10; Sunday \$15; and children under 16 free.

Check out details and directions for the Happy Valley Fiddlers Convention at (<https://HappyValleyFiddlers.org>) or call 828/754-2486.

## Caldwell Arts Council in Lenoir, NC, Offers New Exhibitions

The Caldwell Arts Council in Lenoir, NC, is pleased to host *Uncommon Goods*, an exhibition of fine art featuring equine paintings on the main floor by Durham, NC, artist Laura Hughes and small sculptural works by Morganton, NC, sculptor John Ross. The upstairs gallery will feature an installation by Heather Lewis of Carrboro, NC, whose art speaks to the process of grieving. These works will be on view from Aug. 2 through Sept. 28, 2019. A reception will be held on Aug. 2, from 5-7pm.

Laura Hughes is a graphic designer and fine artist with a BFA in sculpture from UNC-Chapel Hill. Her current work features acrylic equine inspired paintings that bridge realism and abstraction and rely on the beauty of drama of color and shape. "I remember obsessively drawing horses as a child. I enjoy their dramatic, monumental silhouettes."

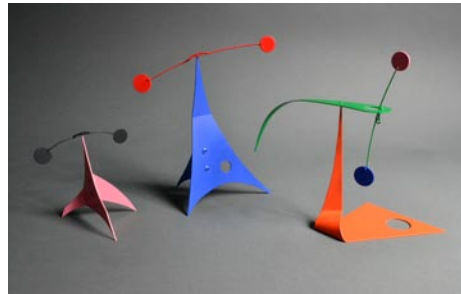


Work by Laura Hughes

After her fiancé died unexpectedly, Heather Lewis found articulating the grieving process was out of the realm of vocabulary. One can speak of anger and happiness, and others know how that feels through experience. The feelings of grief cannot be explained so easily. Looking towards writers whose use of words resonated with her experience; she could visualize their words through images in her mind. Instead of limiting her voice through vocabulary and narrative, she seeks to show someone what grieving feels like through photography, collage and 2D and 3D manipulation of the artifacts left in her fiancé's absence – his textbooks, photos, his comb, his favorite chair. Heather received a Master of Fine Arts degree from Savannah College of Art and Design.

The Caldwell Arts Council presents the arts in all its forms to Caldwell County.

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Works by John Ross

John Ross was born and raised in Morganton, NC. He has an AFA degree from Western Piedmont Community College, where he studied sculpture and painting. He picked up welding, which led him to explore the possibilities of kinetic sculptures fabricated from steel and other hardware. You may see some of his sculptural works for sale in downtown Lenoir's Tuckers Gallery.

## Arts Council of Henderson County Hosts Annual Competition to Blue Ridge Community College in Flat Rock, NC

The Arts Council of Henderson County will present the 16th annual *Bring Us Your Best*, an all-media visual art exhibition and competition of work by over 100

artists, on view in the Blue Ridge Conference Hall of the TEDC building at Blue Ridge Community College in Flat Rock, *continued above on next column to the right*

### EARTH TO TABLE

CURATED BY WYNDY MOREHEAD

Ten regional ceramic artists who dig their own clay

### IMAGINARY TOPOGRAPHY: Fragments

The Art of Sondra Dorn

### SHOW ME YOUR ID

CURATED BY SHERRY MASTERS

An exhibit of regional artists and the inspiration behind their signature style

New Shows  
Opening  
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NC, from Aug. 2 - 16, 2019. A reception will be held on Aug. 2, from 5-7pm.

Two local artists are sponsoring a new award to encourage emerging and "new" artists, or those who do not often show their work. Artists Karen Eve Bayne and Peter Gollup will consider both excellence in design and execution as well as potential in any medium for the new Chrysalis award. Three \$100 Chrysalis awards will be presented at the opening awards reception.

First (\$250), second (\$150), and third (\$100) place awards will be announced in four categories: 2-dimensional art, 3-dimensional art, fine craft, and photography. In addition, the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Hendersonville will announce the winner of the "One Planet, One World" award. The winning artwork will be the best representation of a world community recognizing the inherent worth and dignity of all beings, and the oneness and interdependence of all life, and the artist will receive \$250.



Work by Bobbie Polizzi

who have work in the show. The Artist's Choice award winner will receive a \$300 cash prize.

The Starving Artist Art Supply and Custom Framing Shop is sponsoring the People's Choice Award, which will be announced after the close of the show. This award winner will be determined by the votes of all gallery visitors who will be encouraged to cast votes for their favorite piece in the show, and will receive a \$250 gift certificate from The Starving Artist. Ten Honorable Mention awardees will receive \$25 gift certificates from The Starving Artist at the reception.

All artwork displayed at *Bring us Your Best* is for sale. Regular gallery hours for the exhibition will be 10am to 4pm Monday through Friday.

The exhibition is sponsored by The Wax Family Memorial Funds, the Dr. Minor F. Watts Fund at the Community Foundation of Henderson County, The Starving Artist Fine Art Supply and Custom Framing Shop, and the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Hendersonville.

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Work by Luck Clark

The Artist's Choice award will be announced at the opening reception. Sponsored and presented by local artist/patrons Walter Arnold and John Patrick McAfee, this award is selected by all artists