

# Art League of Hilton Head on Hilton Head Island, SC, Offers Exhibition of Art Quilts

The Art League of Hilton Head on Hilton Head Island, SC, is presenting *A Thread Runs Through It*, an exhibit showcasing the work of the five award-winning members of the Art Quilters of the Lowcountry, on view in the Art League Gallery, through Sept. 25, 2021. An artist reception will be held on Sept. 8, from 5-7pm.

The artists will be demonstrating their signature techniques every Wed., from 2-4pm, during the show. The schedule is as follows:  
 Sept. 1: Peg Weschke, Collage from Photographs  
 Sept. 8: Donna Stankiewicz, Painting on Fabric and Jody Wigton, Monoprinting on a Gel Plate  
 Sept. 15: Ron Hodge, Embellishing with Beads  
 Sept. 22: Ro Morrissey, Seascapes and Marshscapes  
 Please RSVP for the reception and demos by e-mail at ([gallery@artleaguehhi.org](mailto:gallery@artleaguehhi.org)) to prevent overcrowding.



Work by Donna Stankiewicz

of the Quilters' unique art form," says Kristen McIntosh, Art League Gallery Manager. "These aren't traditional bed quilts. They're art quilts that are just as emotionally powerful as any painting or sculpture."

Art League of Hilton Head is the only 501(c)(3) nonprofit visual arts organization on Hilton Head Island with a synergistic art gallery and teaching Academy. Art League Academy welcomes artists and students in all media at all skill levels, including true beginners. Taught by professional art educators, students can choose from many art classes and workshops that change monthly. Art League Gallery features local artwork in all media created by more than 170 member artists. All artwork on display is for sale and exhibits change every month. Located mid-island inside Arts Center of Coastal Carolina, next to the box office.

"Inspiring visual arts for our community and its visitors through exhibitions, education and partnerships" is Art League of Hilton Head's mission.

For further information check our SC Institutional Gallery listings, call the League at 843/681-5060 or visit ([www.artleaguehhi.org](http://www.artleaguehhi.org)).



Work by Ron Hodge

Each artist has his or her own style and signature technique, making for an eclectic and inspiring show. From beading and improvisational piecing to thread and fabric painting, the techniques used create pieces that range from realistic to abstract, whimsical to majestic.

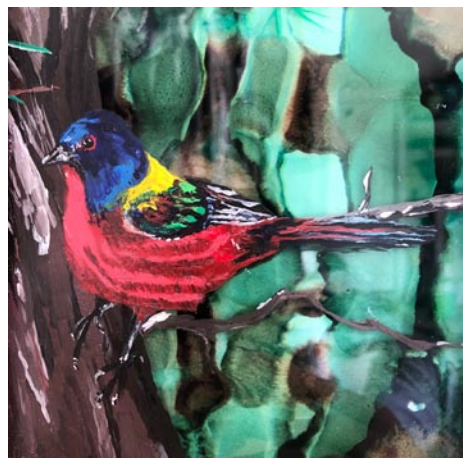
"The exhibit displays the incredible color, creativity and craftsmanship

# Society of Bluffton Artists in Bluffton, SC, Features Works by Travis Newman

The Society of Bluffton Artists (SOBA) in Bluffton, SC, will present *In My View*, featuring works by Travis Newman, on view in the SOBA Gallery, from Sept. 6 through Oct. 4, 2021. A reception will be held on Sept. 12, from 3-5pm.

This colorful exhibit is a depiction of Lowcountry wildlife, coastal themes and other animals through the Bluffton artist's eyes.

"My goal is to highlight the beauty that the world has to offer, even if there is chaos happening in the background," says Newman. "I believe that the beauty and majesty of animals brings a calming effect to the observer."



Work by Travis Newman

After serving over a decade in the United States Marine Corps, Newman traded in his uniforms for paintbrushes.

"I found that service comes with its



Work by Travis Newman

burdens, and painting helps with bearing those burdens," says Newman, who only began painting in January 2019.

Newman uses color in the background to set the mood of his artwork, and that mood often dictates which animal or object will be highlighted. The depth and three-dimensional look of Newman's subject matter is heightened through his use of plexiglass. He works on both sides of the "canvas," using a reverse painting style for the background and traditional acrylic painting on the foreground.

SOBA is the heart of the flourishing art hub in Old Town Bluffton's historic district at the corner of Church and Calhoun streets. As a non-profit art organization, SOBA offers regular art classes, featured artist shows, exhibitions, scholarships, outreach programs and more.

For further information check our SC Institutional Gallery listings, call the Society at 843/757-6586 or visit ([www.sobagallery.com](http://www.sobagallery.com)).

# Morris Center for Lowcountry Heritage in Ridgeland, SC, Features Works by Latinx Artists

The Morris Center for Lowcountry Heritage in Ridgeland, SC, will present *VeMe*, a collaborative exhibit featuring the works of four Latinx artists of the Lowcountry, on view from Sept. 4, through Jan. 22, 2022. The exhibition is a partnership between the Morris Center and Palmetto Luna Arts.

Several special events are associated with the exhibit. Visitors can view a mural on the exterior of the Morris Center designed by Jesse Aguirre and painted by local high school students as well as meet the artists on Sept. 11, at 5pm. *VeMe Day* is Sept. 25, from 11am to 1pm.



Work by Luz Celeste Figueroa

The works of artists Jesse Aguirre, Luz Celeste Figueroa, Nathalia Celeste Roca and Yajaira Surret explore their identities as Latinos, artists and immigrants in the Lowcountry. The name *VeMe* is a nod to the artists' home countries of Venezuela and Mexico and also means "see me" in Spanish.

"With this exhibit we wanted to highlight the diversity of our community and present some exciting, vibrant artists whose stories need to be heard. The challenges and triumphs of being immigrants in the Lowcountry are reflected meaningfully in their works," says Executive



Work by Jesse Aguirre

Director Tamara Herring.

Located in the heart of downtown Ridgeland on US 17, Morris Center for Lowcountry Heritage is a learning and exhibition center dedicated to preserving and cultivating the history, culture and spirit of Ridgeland and its surrounding counties. Housed in a collection of vintage buildings, with the architecturally distinctive Sinclair Service Station as its focal point, the center features ever-changing exhibitions, interactive and dynamic learning opportunities, cultural offerings, storytelling and other forms of art.

For further information check our SC Institutional Gallery listings or visit ([www.morrisheritagecenter.org](http://www.morrisheritagecenter.org)).

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