

NC Institutional Galleries

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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-7pm & Sun. noon-5pm. Contact: 828-277-6222 or at (www.craftguild.org).



Work by Alex Gray

Southern Highland Craft Guild at the Folk Art Center, Blue Ridge Parkway Milepost 382, Asheville. **Sept. 21 - 22, from 10am-4pm** - "44th Annual Heritage Weekend". This free celebration of mountain heritage is held by the Southern Highland Craft Guild featuring demonstrations of traditional crafts accompanied by music. A highlight of the event is the Annual World Gee Haw Whimmy Diddle competition held at 2pm. A Whimmy Diddle is an Appalachian mountain toy traditionally made from two sticks of rhododendron. Notches are carved into one stick and a propeller is attached to the end. Rubbing the notches with the second stick makes the proper spin. Can you get it to gee (spin to the right) and haw (spin to the left)? Ongoing demonstrations will include traditional woodworking with traditional tools, weaving, spinning, dyeing, broom-making, stone carving, blacksmithing, soap-making, and printmaking. Visitors will have the opportunity to try their own hand at some of the crafts at an activity table. **Main Gallery, Through Sept. 18** - "Graduating Class of 2024: Haywood Community College's Professional Crafts Program". This new generation of craft is led by instructors Amy Putansu in fiber, Brian Wurst in wood, Emily Reason in clay, and Angela Bubash in metals & jewelry. This show continues the historical relationship between the Southern Highland Craft Guild and Haywood, an educational center of the Guild. Students of the Haywood program come from all over, with or without prior experience of craft, and sometimes pursuing it as a second or third career. The course of study is challenging, combining craft concentrations with supplemental classes in design, drawing, craft history, business, marketing and photography. **Sept. 28 - Jan. 18, 2025** - "New Members of the Southern Highland Craft Guild". This show will debut the work of 27 new members of the Southern Highland Craft Guild, accepted into the Guild for their fine quality craftsmanship in 2023 and 2024. The room will be filled with wearable, decorative, and sculptural fiber, glass, wood, clay, jewelry, metal, and mixed media. **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. **Focus Gallery, Through Nov. 11** - "Beautiful Mystery, featuring both traditional and contemporary craft by five members of the Guild. The colorful batik paintings on display are by Robin Ford, the clay pieces by Susan Grier and Joe Frank McKee, jewelry by Ilene Kay, and wood sculptures by new member, Brian Melton. 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.

ALTERNATE ART SPACES - Asheville Biltmore Estate, One Lodge Street, Asheville. **Through Jan. 5, 2025** - "Chihuly at Biltmore," a thrilling new exhibition experience. Featured in museums and gardens around the world, including the spectacular 2018 Chihuly at Biltmore exhibition, Dale Chihuly's awe-inspiring works have captivated millions. A new experience of the artist's iconic creations makes its debut at Biltmore Estate this spring. Presented in an intimate gallery setting at Amherst at Deerpark®, Chihuly at Biltmore includes pedestal works, drawings, and large-scale installations of chandeliers, towers, mille fiori, and neon. For info about tickets and special packages visit (<https://www.biltmore.com/stay/village-hotel/special-offers/>) or for general info visit (www.biltmore.com).



Work by Anne Senechal Faust

The North Carolina Arboretum, Milepost 393, Blue Ridge Parkway, 100 Frederick Law Olmsted Way, Asheville. **Baker Art Center, Through Sept. 8** - "Bugs: Outside the Box". Where can you see a butterfly with a five foot wingspan, or a longhorn beetle with antennae more than twelve feet across? The answers can be found amongst the enormous sculptures on display in "BUGS: Outside the Box!". **Sept. 21 - Jan. 24, 2025** - "Only Owls". This exhibit brings together an array of artistic representations of owls in pencil, charcoal, ink, watercolor, and woodcut, all from Leigh Yawkey Woodson Museum of Art collection. **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).



This year's opportunity quilt

WNC Agricultural Center, at the Davis Event Center in Fletcher. **Sept. 26-28, 2024** - "40th Annual Quilt Show", presented by the Asheville Quilt Guild. Featuring over 300 beautiful quilts made by national, regional and local quilt makers, the Asheville Quilt Guild will showcase this unique Appalachian craft Sept. 26 and 27, from 9am-

5pm and Sept. 28, from 9am-4pm. For further information contact Susan Sweeney by calling 978/514-0323 or e-mail to (sweeney@teamalpha.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://beauforthistoricsite.org/gallery/>).

Blowing Rock



Rickie Barnett, "Hey you, get out of there"

Blowing Rock Art and History Museum, corner of Chestnut and Main streets, downtown Blowing Rock. **Cannon Gallery, Through Feb. 22, 2025** - "Anna Buckner: And other Myths". Buckner is a painter in the most expanded sense of the word, creating compositions at the intersection of design, textile, and painting. "And other Myths" features a body of work that leverages the storytelling potential of quilting within the context of painterly composition and design precision. She is interested in exploring the limits of existing structures within painting, language, textile patterning, new media, and emerging modes of teaching and learning. **Schaefer Gallery, Through Nov. 2** - "Two Headed Diver: Lynne Hobaica & Rickie Barnett". This is an exhibition in three entangled parts, featuring the individual yet mutually-informed studio practices of Lynne Hobaica, Rickie Barnett, and their collaborative work under the moniker "Two Headed Diver." Their characters—often simultaneously fantastic and mundane—are produced through a heady concoction of personal myth-making, morality tale, and a distinct sense of New World wonder. Both artists' work is driven by narrative, though their singular approaches to storytelling are often pleasantly obscured by layered surface treatments and enigmatic symbology. Hobaica's work utilizes recurring patterns and decorative elements to elevate seemingly humble or alien subjects—chihuahuas and antlered beasts seen here, for example. While gauzy glazes and sheer fabrics shroud her characters in a fog that reinforces an almost mythological interpretation of them. Working in both ceramic and textile, Hobaica's compositions prioritize the inexplicability of the human experience. **Fort, Atwell, & Rankin East Galleries, Through Jan. 5, 2025** - "The Hard Edge & The Soft Line: A Retrospective of Maud Gatewood". Maud Gatewood (1934-2004) is an exceptional figure in the art history of North Carolina and the American Southeast. A painter of exacting technique with a keen eye for composition and cultural commentary, her pictures capture the Carolinas (and the expanding world beyond) across much of the 20th Century. A native of Yanceyville in Caswell County, NC, Gatewood's paintings reveal rural landscapes and their denizens in the midst of transformation while also cleverly framing the experience of modern life with acerbic wit and a surprising wealth of empathy. "The Hard Edge & The Soft Line: A Retrospective of Maud Gatewood" is a major undertaking by BRAHM. This retrospective project provides a comprehensive narrative of Gatewood's career, considering the evolution of her oeuvre and her significant contributions, as an artist and an educator, to the field of contemporary representational painting in North Carolina and the region. A recuperative exercise, the exhibition and its accompanying scholarship will feature a broad range of her works, including paintings, works on paper, and archival material, excavating Gatewood's rigorous technical experimentation, coded but no less rich explorations of gender and sexuality, and reverence for depicting the built and natural landscapes of her native state and elsewhere. **Ongoing** - the BRAHM will host exhibits, educational programs and classes that promote the visual arts, history and heritage of the mountains of western North Carolina. Admission: Yes. Hours: Tue.-Sat., 10am-5pm &

Sun., noon-4pm. Contact: 828/295-9099 or at (www.blowingrockmuseum.org).

Southern Highland Craft Guild at Moses Cone Manor, Milepost 294, Blue Ridge Parkway, Blowing Rock. **Ongoing** - Featuring the work of members of the Southern Highland Craft Guild members in various media. Demonstrations offered each month. Hours: daily 9am - 5pm. Contact: 828/295-7938 or e-mail at (parkway-craft@bellsouth.net).

Boone

Downtown Boone, 1st Friday every month, from 5-8pm - First Friday Art Crawl. For further info contact the Watauga Ars Council at 828-264-1789 (https://www.watauga-arts.org/kingstreetart.html#).

Appalachian Cultural Museum, University Hall Drive, off Hwy. 321 (Blowing Rock Road), Boone. **Ongoing** - The permanent exhibit area includes, TIME AND CHANGE, featuring thousands of objects ranging from fossils to Winston Cup race cars to the Yellow Brick Road, a section of the now closed theme park, "The Land of Oz". Admission: Yes. Hours: Tue.-Sat., 10am-5pm & Sun., 1-5pm. Contact: 828/262-3117.

Hands Gallery, 543 West King Street, Boone. **Ongoing** - What began as the dream of a small group of craftspeople in 1975 continues today in a very personal and continually-changing environment. The history of Hands Gallery Co-op is as varied and intriguing as the artists who have come and gone over the years. Dozens of artisans have explored the business opportunities Hands has given their work, while donating time and ideas to the growth and success of the gallery. Today, the co-op serves as a role model for arts and crafts co-ops throughout the Southeastern US. Hours: daily, 10am-6pm, except Thanksgiving & Christmas. Contact: 828-262-1970 of at (<http://www.handsgallery.org/>).

King Street Art Collective, Watauga Ars Council, 585 West King Street, (above Doe Ridge Pottery) Boone. **Ongoing** - A gallery and interactive art space with changing exhibits and activities celebrating the arts. Hours: Thur., 11am-5pm; Fri.-Sat., 10am-6pm; and Sun., 10am-2pm. Contact: 828-264-1789 or at (https://www.watauga-arts.org/kingstreetart.html#).

Turchin Center for the Visual Arts, Appalachian State University, 423 West King Street, Boone. **Hodges Gallery, Through Dec. 7** - "Looming in the Shadows of Lodz," featuring works by Leslie Starobin, Tamar Segev, and Ori Segev. The exhibition features the work of three Americans inspired by a roots' trip to Poland. Employing narrative and visual storytelling through representation and abstraction, the artists present their family's migration and wartime legacy in this multi-media exhibition. This multi-generational family project has been inspired, in part, by writings on post memory and visual culture. "Scholarly work on the Holocaust has looked to this moment when survivors and other contemporary witnesses are leaving our midst, with great trepidation," writes Dr. Marianne Hirsch in *The Generation of Postmemory: Writing and Visual Culture After the Holocaust*. "How will the story survive without their acts of witness? The second generation has acted as a gatekeeper, but we now have to realize that we are ourselves handing the story on to the third and making it available for others to connect their own very different histories. **Bicker's Gallery, Through Dec. 7** - "A Long and Slow Surrender, featuring works by Wendy Young". Young is an artist and educator currently living in Cerrillos, NM. In 1982, Young was pursuing a career in music as a French Horn major at the University of Southern Mississippi. Her goal was to become a studio musician and play background music for cartoons. "Horn licks in cartoons are spectacular." When her parents gave her an SLR camera that year for her 19th birthday, she put down her horn and started making images. The artist notes, "I was smitten by the amazing properties of photography. The idea that I could aim my camera at something or someone that interested me, develop the film, make a print, study the print, and learn from it still captivates me after 41 years." Young talks about this exhibit, "It all started with a disagreement with a friend. She stated vehemently that all the Confederate Monuments needed to come down. Now. Although I understand the conflict that the monuments present, my gut reaction was, 'No damn Yankee is going to tell me what to do with my statues!' As a Southerner, I often felt that most Northern attitudes toward the South were misconceptions. Now I see those misconceptions have dark truths behind them. I struggled with that reaction because I have no real connection to these monuments." **Gallery A and Petti/Peiser Gallery, Through Nov. 2** - "2024 Art Department Faculty Biennial". The exhibition showcases

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