**Hickory Museum of Art and Sciences Center, 234 Third Avenue NE. Hickory, Coke Gallery, Through Jan. 5, 2020 - "How Creativity Happens" (www.hickorymuseum.org). Featuring works by artists and creative, subject matter experts, led by local artists Randy Faraj & Nancy Kuckey, a program examining the process of creating new artworks. The core group of artists includes Michael Deckard, Carmen Jani, Claire Pope and Hunter Speagle. The resulting artwork will be loaned to Corning Optical Sciences for display at their new corporate headquarters in Charlotte, NC. This project explores important STEAM topics including problem-framing, observation, prototyping, and concept evaluation. Collaboration within the wall of HMA, a gallery environment, is transformed into a lab and the entire process will be documented by a media company creating a living curriculum, which can be released in installments across the Museum’s digital channels. These resources will also be discussed by the development of classroom materials and professional development curricula for area educators. Saturday, and Sunday, 12-5pm.**

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**Hickory Museum of Art and Sciences Center, 234 Third Avenue NE. Hickory, Coke Gallery, Through Jan. 5, 2020 - "12 Perspectives Across 4 Decades," will be on exhibit."Twelve Places: Redux". On Nov. 6, from 1-5pm, Redd Antliff, a resident of Hickory, will give a talk and a tour of the gallery, followed by the opening of "12 Perspectives Across 4 Decades," featuring works by Alzheimer's artists. The exhibition will run from Nov. 6, 2019 through Jan. 5, 2020.**

**The Bob & Carmen Jani Gallery, Through Jan. 5, 2020 - "Alyson Shotz: Un/Folding". Treading a line between order and chaos, planned uniformity and uncontrolled, unplanned disorder, Alyson Shotz employs natural phenomena—such as mass, force, gravity, and light—to create her works. Working collaboratively across disciplines, she gives her sculptures many forms, each particular to a specific concept of study. Like a scientist, Shotz poses questions and establishes parameters within which she experiments. However, her artworks do not mimic scientific principles, but instead they are informed by mathematics and physics. Shotz has been designing costumes for Broadway and Off-Broadway theater productions for nearly thirty years. She is a graduate of Bennett College in Greensboro, NC.**

**The Bob & Carmen Jani Gallery, Through Jan. 5, 2020 - "Shahzia Sikander: Disruption as Rapture". Shahzia Sikander takes classical Indo-Persian miniature painting—a traditional genre that is both highly personal and deeply rooted in a complex history of artistic and cultural development. She is known not only for her powerful sculptures—she is also a master of the art of printing. In both she is inspired by the knowledge, history, race, and mythology. Her influences range from ancient Egypt, Africa, and American Folk Art, and she is especially drawn to the Kouro, an ancient Greek sculptural form of a muscular young man in a continuous state of movement. Gallery 6, Through Jan. 5, 2020**

**High Point**

**Theatre Arts Galleries, High Point Theatre, 220 East Commons Avenue, High Point. Through Jan. 3, 2020 - "The Basics: 2020 Generations & Three Violets". The diverse creative work of three generations will be featured in the family gallery will fill TAG’s galleries. Main Gallery - Featuring the costume design work of Paul Taggart who has been designing for theater companies throughout the region, regional theater, film and television, dance, and opera productions, for over thirty-five years. Upstairs Gallery - Featuring works by Barbara Taggart. She is a graduate of Bennett College in Greensboro, NC. and of Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland, OH. She spent a year at the Université de Bordeaux in France as a Fulbright Fellow. Halle Gallery - Featuring Nathaniel Taggart who displays character illustration and design work that is referencing sequential artists and Japanese manga from the 70s and 80s. (E Jian Ogawa, Yoshitoshi Amano) Kaleidoscope Gallery - Annual Educational Art Exhibit, featuring artwork from the students of our area elementary schools. Hours: Tue.-Sat., 10-5pm. Contact: 336/887-2137 or at (www.taggart.org).**

**Hillsborough**

**Downtown Hillsborough, Dec. 27, from 10am to 5pm - Winterfest at Riverwalk Crossing!**

**The Hillsborough Arts Council invites you to walk the historic and hip hillsborough. Park, shop, and enjoy the holiday cheer at many different galleries and boutiques and award-winning restaurants. Shopping, art, music, and fun! Main events include: Hillsborough Arts Council Gallery & Gift Shop, Orange County Historical Museum, Hillo Xo, Suga Kitchen, City Market, Chambers of Commerce, Hillsborough Artists Cooperative and the Bob & Carmen Jani Gallery, EAG Gallery, Old Market, Old Banker Howard Perry and Walston, The Paymaster Shop, The Carson & Cribb, First United Methodist Church, Crozet - Hillsborough and Cedar Walk Wellness Center. Contact: (www.lastfridaysamwak.org).**

**Hillsborough Arts Council, 120 Main Street, New Market, Hillsborough. Free - includes art displays and holiday shopping! Contact: (www.hillsborougharts.org).**

**Hillsborough Christmas Commons Recreation Center, Diehl Park, 3917 W. Birkdale Village Blvd., Hillsborough, NC 27278-8109.**

**- A 3-day event hosted by the Coastal Carolina Arts & Crafts Guild and the Hillsborough Christmas Commons Recreation & Recreation & Parks, will include local and regional artists. Free - includes art displays and holiday shopping! Contact: (www.hillsborougharts.org).**

**Kings Mountain**

**Southern Arts Society Gift Shop & Gallery, 201 W. Main Street, Kings Mountain.**

**- Hosted by the Coastal Carolina Arts & Crafts Guild and the Kings Mountain Christmas Commons Recreation & Recreation & Parks, will include local and regional artists. Free - includes art displays and holiday shopping! Contact: (www.hillsborougharts.org).**