

NC Institutional Galleries

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is vast—as many 15,000—it is hardly permanent. The realization that so many of these faces and stories are passing away has led Siegel to begin this project, which also includes World War II veterans. **Through Apr. 14** - "In the Camps: Photographs by Erich Hartmann". Born in Munich, Germany, Erich Hartmann was sixteen when he came with his family to the United States as refugees from Nazi persecution. After the war he worked in New York City as assistant to a portrait photographer, and later as a free-lance photographer. In 1952 he was invited to join Magnum Photos, an international photographers' cooperative founded two years after the end of WWII. **Through June 9** - "The Philadelphia Story: Contemporary Figurative Work Drawn from the Academy". In addition to its fine museums, the city of Philadelphia, PA, is home to no less than five major art schools. The Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts is the oldest art school and museum in the country, founded 1805. Like the Asheville Art Museum, the Academy's focus is on American art. The Academy also focuses on teaching traditional methods of working from life, such as classes in cast drawing and the use of live models for classes in drawing. Painting and sculpture dominate the school's curriculum, both in past and present. Academy faculty were most often Academy students first, affording many artists the ability to trace their artistic lineage back to noteworthy faculty and students such as Thomas Eakins, Mary Cassatt, Cecilia Beaux, Henry O. Tanner, Robert Henri, Alexander Calder and others. **Gallery 6, Feb. 2 - May 26** - "Aaron Siskind: Abstract Expressionist Photographer". Siskind (1903 - 1991) was born in New York City, the son of Russian Jewish immigrants. After receiving his Bachelor of Social Science degree in Literature from College of the City of New York in 1926, Siskind taught high school English for 21 years in the New York public school system. His first loves were music and poetry, but he took an interest in photography in 1930 when he received a camera as a wedding gift. Siskind was still teaching in the public schools when he joined the New York Photo League, with whom he produced several significant socially-conscious series of images in the 1930s. The Harlem Document remains his best known body of work from this period. **New Media Gallery, Through Feb. 24** - "Flux Cuts: Experiments in Film". A loosely organized group of artists calling themselves Fluxus, meaning "flow" in Latin, was established in 1962 with artist George Maciunas as its founding member. The Fluxus movement included independent international, multi-disciplinary artists inspired by the Dada movement in the 1920s and artist Marcel Duchamp, as well as artist and composer John Cage. Admission: Yes. Hours: Tue.-Sat., 10am-5pm; Fri. till 8pm & Sun., 1-5pm. Contact: 828/253-3227 or at (www.ashevilleart.org).



Work by Elinor Bowman

Asheville Gallery of Art, Ltd., 16 College Street, Asheville. **Feb. 1 - 28** - "Women of Myth", features a new series of oils depicting images evoking aspects of certain mythological women by Elinor Bowman. A reception will be held on Feb. 8, from 4-6pm. **Ongoing** - Featuring original works of art by 28 local artists in oils, acrylics, watercolor, pastel, encaustic, and prints. Hours: M.-Sat., 10am-5:30pm and first Fri. of the month till 8pm. Contact: 828/251-5796 or at (www.ashevillegallery-of-art.com).

Black Mountain College Museum + Arts Center, 56 Broadway, Asheville. **Through June 1** - "John Urbain: No Ideas but in Things," an exhibition of collages and paintings by Black Mountain College alumnus John Urbain. The project includes a retrospective exhibition of Urbain's paintings and collages (including selected work from BMC), a publication, and a

rich array of public programming, all designed to honor and recognize Urbain, sharing his work with a diverse audience in the WNC region and beyond. **Ongoing** - An exhibition space dedicated to exploring the history and legacy of the world's most acclaimed experiential educational community, Black Mountain College. Hours: Wed.-Sat., noon-4pm or by appt. Contact: 828/350-8484 or at (www.blackmountaincollege.org).

Blowers Gallery, main floor of UNCA's Ramsey Library, Asheville. **Through Feb. 9** - Featuring an exhibition of photos by Carrie Wagner of Uganda's Bakonzo people. Wagner, who published her photos in the book, "Village Wisdom: Immersed in Uganda, Inspired by Job, Changed for Life" (Butler Mountain Press, 2011), lived in a small Ugandan village from 1991-1994, working for Habitat for Humanity. She returned in 2009 and photos from both periods are included in the book and this exhibition, which she has created to "bring to life village experiences, weaving together the challenges of poverty and the richness of culture." Hours: regular library hours. Contact: 828/251-6546.

Flood Gallery Fine Arts Center, 109 Roberts St., Asheville. **Ongoing** - Dedicated to advancing the careers of emerging and mid career artists, as well as educating the public and furthering the understanding of contemporary art and its importance within the community and beyond. Hours: Mon.-Sat., 10am-4pm. Contact: 828/255-0066 or at (www.philmecanicstudios.com).

Guild Crafts of Southern Highland Craft Guild, 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.

NC Homespun Museum, next to Grovewood Gallery, at Grove Park Inn, 111 Grovewood Road, Asheville. **Ongoing** - Featuring the Conway Collection of Appalachian Crafts, owned by Mr. and Mrs. Bob Conway, who began collecting over 40 years ago while visiting the Southern Highland Craftsman Fair at the Civic Center in downtown Asheville. They also collected pottery & other traditional crafts from the Crafts Center during the State Fairs in Raleigh. Hours: Mon.-Sat., 10am-5pm & Sun., 1-5pm. Contact: 828/253-7651.

S. Tucker Cooke Gallery, UNC-Asheville, 1st floor, Owen Hall, Asheville. **Through Feb. 5** - "National Juried Drawing Exhibition," featuring the university's fourth annual national juried drawing exhibition, juried by Susan Hauptman. **Feb. 8 - Mar. 4** - "Images of Wonder," featuring an exhibition of paintings by Clarence Morgan. A lecture and reception will be offered on Feb. 8, from 5-8pm. Morgan has exhibited his work at galleries nationally and internationally, including the Beijing Film Academy Gallery, Reeves Contemporary in New York, and Romo Gallery in Atlanta. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 9am-6pm. Contact: call UNCA's Art Department at 828/251-6559 or at (<http://art.unca.edu/>).

The Artery, Asheville Area Arts Council Gallery, 346 Depot Street, RAD, Asheville. **Through Feb. 5** - "Home Is Where the ART Is". The young artists, battling cancer and other serious illnesses and disabilities in Western North Carolina, in Arts For Life's programs visually explore what HOME means to them in this collaborative and colorful art exhibit. Hours: Tue.-Sat., 11am-4pm. Contact: 828/423-2904 or at (<http://ashevillearts.com/>).

The Fine Arts League Gallery, 25 Rankin Ave., Asheville. **Ongoing** - Located within the Fine Arts League of Asheville, the Gallery is devoted to the development of realist artists and features figure drawings, portraits, landscapes and still lifes. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 10am-5pm or by appt. Contact: 828/252-5050.

The Folk Art Center of the Southern Highland Craft Guild, Blue Ridge Parkway Milepost 382, Asheville. **Main Gallery, Through Apr. 21** - "Odyssey Center for Ceramic Arts Exhibition," featuring the work by instructors and students from Odyssey Center for Ceramic Arts in Asheville. Functional pottery as well as sculpture will be on display. Odyssey was established in 1994 as an educational program of Highwater Clays, and has been an educational center member of the Southern Highland Craft Guild since 1995. Its mission then and now is to promote understanding, appreciation and professional development in the ceramic arts. **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. **Focus Gallery, Through Mar. 19, 2013** - Featuring works in fiber by Valerie McGaughey and works in clay by Virginia McKinney. Hours: daily from 9am-5pm. Contact: 828/298-7928 or at (www.southernhighlandguild.org).

The Odyssey Gallery, 238 Clingman Ave., Asheville. **Ongoing** - Works in ceramics by regional and national artists. Hours: Mon.-Sat., 10am-5pm and Sun., noon-5pm. Contact: 828/285-9700 or at (www.highwaterclays.com).

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.



Work by Nancy Cook

ALTERNATE ART SPACES - Asheville **The North Carolina Arboretum**, Milepost 393, Blue Ridge Parkway, 100 Frederick Law Olmsted Way, Asheville. **Baker Exhibit Center, Through May 19** - "A Painter's Journey," featuring works by Ann Vasilik, which captures her travels at home and abroad. A native of Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, Vasilik has lived in Asheville since 1988. As a farm girl growing up in Pennsylvania Dutch Country, Ann Vasilik's far-flung travels existed only in her imagination. But her Jamaican honeymoon with her naval officer husband in 1964 began a globe-trotting lifestyle that led to one exotic locale after another. **Education Center, Through Apr. 7** - "Seeds Up Close," an exhibit by North Carolina artist Nancy Cook, featuring layers of fabric, ink and thread to depict the intricate details found in the minutiae of nature. **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).

Black Mountain - Swannanoa

Black Mountain Center for the Arts, Old City Hall, 225 West State St., Black Mountain. **Upper Gallery, Through Feb. 24** - "Chasing the Image," featuring works by Madeleine d'Ivry Lord of Massachusetts and Sally McLaughlin Massengale of North Carolina, curated by Dr. James Thompson, distinguished Professor Emeritus of Art History in the School of Art and Design at Western Carolina University. Lord works both as a painter and a metal sculptor; Massengale works as a painter, primarily in oil. The exhibit covers a range of their works beginning in the 1970s and 80s up to the present. Hours: Mon.-Wed., 10am-5pm; Thur. 11am-3pm; Fri., 10am-5pm. Contact: 828/669-0930 or at (www.blackmountainarts.org).

Blowing Rock

Blowing Rock Art and History Museum, corner of Chestnut and Main streets, downtown Blowing Rock. **Through Feb. 10** - "2012 Traveling Exhibit of the Watercolor Society of North Carolina". There are 35 juried paintings selected from the Annual Exhibit that was on display at the Albemarle Museum of Art in Elizabeth City, NC, from Oct. 8 through Nov. 26, 2012. The Watercolor Society of North Carolina will hold its annual conference in Blowing Rock, NC, in September, 2013. **Feb. 20 - Apr. 25** - "The Carolina Mountains: Photography of Margaret Morley," featuring images of Appalachia in the 1890s. In 1914, Morley donated over 200 of her original photographs to the North Carolina Museum of History in Raleigh. From this collection, approximately 50 photographs have been selected to be part of a traveling exhibition of her work. **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. The Museum will be free on Thursdays from 4-7pm. Hours: Tue., Wed., Fri., & Sat., 10am-5pm; Thur., 10am-7pm; and Sun., 1-5pm. Contact: 828/295-9099 or at (www.blowingrockmuseum.org).

Boone

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.

Turchin Center for the Visual Arts, Appalachian State University, 423 West King Street, Boone. **Main Gallery, Through Feb. 9** - "International Focus Series: IV. Visible / Invisible. Print of the XXI Century. Jan Fejkiel Gallery Collection". The Jan Fejkiel Gallery, located in Cracow, Poland, was founded in 1991 by an art historian and is a contemporary art gallery specializing in print and drawing. The gallery owners, Jan Fejkiel and Maria Fuksa, are collaborating with the Turchin Center, and the artists that they represent, to present an exhibition of contemporary graphics focusing on a variety of trends and movements. This exhibition will feature twenty contemporary artists who include: Agnieszka Berezowska, Zbigniew Biel, Zbigniew Bielawka, Kacper Bozek, Marta Bozyk, Agnieszka Dobosz, Jerzy Jędrusiak, Małgorzata Józefowicz, Malwina Małgorzata Niespodziewana, Ewelina Małysa, Monika Niwelińska, Henryk Ożóg, Władysław Pluta, Anna Sadowska, Wiesław Skibiński, Krzysztof Skórczewski, Anna Sobol-Wejman, Jacek Skora, Marcin Surzycki, Krzysztof Tomalski, Justyna Warchala, Stanisław Wejman, Tomasz Winiarski, and Katarzyna Wojdyła. **Mezzanine Gallery, Through Feb. 9** - "International Focus Series I-V: III. Jędrzej Stępek: Spaces of the Brain - A Site Specific Installation". The installation is the third of five exhibitions in the "International Focus Series I-V: 21 Sztuka: Contemporary Art of Poland". Instead of one long exhibition, this year's international focus will present a series of five shows presenting a multilayered viewpoint of the different aspects of contemporary Polish art from photography, painting, installation, graphic arts to fashion from July 2012 to June 2013. Stępek was born in 1953. He lives with his wife, Karolina, and his daughter, Marysia, near Poznan. He creates his art all over the world. Whether in his own studio near Nowy Tomysl, an American university's courtyard in California or the Malaysian jungle, the artist creates his visions honoring his muse - nature. **Gallery B & Mayer Gallery, Feb. 1 - Mar. 16** - "Art Expo 2013: Annual Juried Student Exhibition". The exhibition showcases the art produced by talented students working in a range of media including photography, metals, clay, sculpture, fibers, graphic design, new media, drawing, painting and more. **Gallery A, Through Mar. 23** - "Standing Still...in the Abstract: Sculpture, Paintings, and Drawings by Mary-Ann Prack". Prack was born in Hamilton, Ontario, Canada. Her background includes three generations of family artist tradition encompassing sculpture, painting, and architecture. A richly creative environment was the essential basis from which she developed an appreciation, respect, and love of art and her favorite period in art history - the abstract expressionist movement. From this foundation she has developed artwork that transforms her personal vocabulary of form, color, line and texture into what are spirited, serious and elegant abstractions of the human form. Her work stems from an intuitive source, rather than a response to social trends and movements, moral causes or political statements. **Catwalk Community Gallery, Through Feb. 9** - "Pieces of the Puzzle: TCVA Community Outreach". Coordinated by Pegge DeLaney Laine, TCVA Education Outreach Coordinator. The exhibit

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