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of Modern Art collection, as well as the Alberto and Annette Giacometti Foundation in Paris – which loaned more than 60 works, including rarely seen plasters – and the Alberto Giacometti-Stiftung in Zürich. **Ongoing** - The Bechtler Museum of Modern Art is named after the family of Andreas Bechtler, a Charlotte resident and native of Switzerland who assembled and inherited a collection of more than 1,400 artworks created by major figures of 20th-century modernism and donated it to the public trust. The Bechtler collection comprises artworks by seminal figures such as Alberto Giacometti, Joan Miro, Jean Tinguely, Max Ernst, Andy Warhol, Alexander Calder, Le Corbusier, Sol LeWitt, Edgar Degas, Nicolas de Stael, Barbara Hepworth and Picasso. Only a handful of the artworks in the Bechtler collection have been on public view in the United States. Admission: Yes. Hours: Mon., Wed.-Sat., 10am-5pm; Sun. noon-5pm; and open until 9pm the 1st. and 3rd. Fri. of each month. Contact: 704/353-9200 or at (www.bechtler.org).

Charlotte Art League Gallery, Classes & Studios, 1517 Camden Rd., South End, Charlotte. **Feb. 1 - 22** - "Laissez Les Bons Temps Rouier". A reception will be held on Feb. 1, from 6-9pm. CAL celebrates Mardi Gras with a "good times" theme; traditional colors of purple, gold and green; and a Mardi Gras party on the show's opening night. **Ongoing** - CAL offers fine art for all tastes and budgets in a variety of media: acrylics, oil, pastel, watercolor, mixed media, photography and sculpture. Tour studios of working artists. Hours: Tue.-Sat., 10am-5pm & Sun. 1-5pm. Contact: 704/376/2787 or at (www.charlotteartleague.org).



Work by Jane Allen Nodine

Elizabeth Ross Gallery, Central Piedmont Community College, Central Campus, Overcash Performing Arts Center, Elizabeth Avenue and Kings Dr., Charlotte. **Ross Gallery, Through Mar. 17** - "Thermal Response: Jane Allen Nodine". Nodine merges traditional and historical techniques of image and art-making with contemporary forms of technology. Over the years, she has explored encaustic, drawing, painting, metals, installation, and photography in exhibitions nationally and in Europe. Hours: Mon.-Thur., 10am-2pm. Contact: Sharon Dowell, Gallery Coordinator, at 704/330-6211 or at (www.cpcc.edu/art_gallery).

Harvey B. Gantt Center for African-American Arts & Culture, Levine Center for the Arts, 551 S. Tryon St., Charlotte. **Extended through Mar. 3** - "America I AM: The African American Imprint," which celebrates nearly 500 years of African American contributions to the United States. The Gantt Center is the only African-American cultural institution to host this exhibition and serves as the last venue to house it in the Southeast as the exhibit makes its final tour. Covering more than 10,000 square feet at the Center, the exhibition will present a historical continuum of pivotal moments in courage, conviction, and creativity that helps to solidify the undeniable imprint of African Americans across the nation and around the world. The more than 200 artifacts and information within the exhibit will provide context to how African Americans have contributed to and shaped

American culture across four core areas: economic, socio-political, cultural, and spiritual throughout the country's history, including the inauguration of the first African-American president. The exhibit will fill the Gantt Center galleries with objects as diverse as the typewriter Alex Haley used when he penned his Pulitzer Prize-winning book "Roots" to Prince's guitar! **Ongoing** - Featuring selections from the John & Vivian Hewitt Collection of African-American Art, one of the nation's most important and comprehensive collections of African-American art. Hours: Tue.-Sat., 10am-5pm & Sun. 1-5pm. Contact: 704/547-3700 or at (www.ganttcenter.org).

Lake Norman Art League Gallery, 442 S. Main St., located across the street from Wooden Stone, next to Masterworks; enter at the rear of the building, and turn right into the lobby, Davidson. **Ongoing** - Featuring works by Lake Norman Art League members. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 8am-7pm. Contact: 704/620-4450 or at (www.LKNart.org).

Levine Museum of the New South, 200 E. Seventh St., corner of College St & Seventh St., Charlotte. **Through July 21** - "Fighting for Democracy: Who is the 'We' in 'We, the People'?" This traveling exhibit, originally presented at the National Center for the Preservation of Democracy in Los Angeles, explores the themes of civil rights and democracy through the perspectives of seven individuals whose lives and communities were forever changed by World War II. Through their personal challenges visitors will explore the issues relating to equal education, equal opportunity, democracy abroad, gender equality, and freedom of speech. **Through Aug. 4** - "Boots on the Ground: Charlotte Perspectives on the War in Iraq". It's been nearly a decade since US troops entered Baghdad. In April 2003, the ground phase of the War in Iraq began. In a new exhibit organized by Levine Museum of the New South, we invite you to look back at the conflict through the perspectives of five Charlotte residents. **Ongoing** - "Cotton Fields to Skyscrapers," featuring a permanent exhibition featuring interactive environments that trace the history of the New South from the end of the Civil War until today. Admission: Yes. Free on Sat. Parking: next door in Seventh Street Station. Hours: Mon.-Sat., 10am-5pm & Sun., noon-5pm. Contact: 704/333-1887 or at (www.museumofthenewsouth.org).

McColl Center for Visual Art, 721 North Tryon Street, Charlotte. **1st Floor Gallery, Through Mar. 23** - "All the Time in the World," featuring works by Gail Wight and Mary Tsiongas, curated by Arif Khan. "Have the time of your life," "losing track of time," "on the company's time," and "ahead of their time," are all common phrases that note various notions of time and how one perceives it. This exhibition documents and explores creative ways of expressing or marking time from the specific to the poetic. Through video, installation, and mixed media the two artists explore the subjective nature of time and show how an understanding of science can influence the practice of contemporary art. **2nd and 3rd Floor Galleries, Through Mar. 23** - "Winter 2013 Artists-in-Residence Exhibition," featuring works by Katherine Allen, Carolyn Braaksma, Andrea Chung, Elizabeth Connor, Brian Knepp & Natalie Andrew, Joyce Scott, Erin V. Sotak, and Mel Chin. Hours: Tue.-Sat., 11am-4pm. Contact: 704/332-5535 or at (www.mccollcenter.org).

Mint Hill Arts, 11205 Lawyers Road, Ste. A, Mint Hill, Charlotte. **Feb. 4 - 28** - "Well Seen and Captured," featuring an exhibit of photography by members and non-members. A reception will be held on Feb. 8, from 7-9pm. Hours: Tue.-Sat., 10am-4pm. Contact: 980/226-5532 or at (www.minthillarts.org).

Mint Museum Randolph, 2730 Randolph Road, Charlotte. **Through Feb. 17** - "And the Bead Goes On". This exhibit pays tribute to a form of ornamentation that has been used to enliven fashion designs since ancient times. Originally restricted to the wardrobes of aristocrats and made of precious materials, beads indicated wealth and status in numerous cultures throughout the globe. Sometimes beadwork was employed on garments to convey rank, spiritual significance, or protection of the wearer. Colorful and sparkling beads appeared on articles of clothing, ceremonial dress, ritual masks, and everyday objects. **Through July 14** - "American Ceramics, 1825 - 1875," a look at a period of evolution, expansion, and innovation in American ceramics. The mid-nineteenth century was a time of evolution, expansion, and innovation in American ceramics. While utilitarian forms in earthenware and stoneware continued to be made throughout the centu-

ry, their numbers slowly decreased as a growing urban population had less need for large storage jars, churns, and other objects designed for an agrarian economy. Many potters adjusted to this lower demand by creating wares that were more aesthetically appealing – objects that consumers would want to live with in their homes. Numerous factories from Vermont to Ohio to South Carolina produced "fancy" wares: objects that might still have practical functions—such as pitchers, vases, or flasks—but were notable primarily for their attractive shapes. Porcelain factories also began to proliferate during this period, producing high-quality wares that catered to the tastes of more affluent consumers. **Through July 14** - "Classically Inspired: European Ceramics circa 1800". Features examples of European ceramics and other works of art from The Mint Museum's permanent collection that were inspired by classical antiquity. Classical art - the art of ancient Greece and Rome - had a tremendous influence on the art of Western Europe from at least the fifteenth century through the late nineteenth. During the 1400s and 1500s, the period of the Italian Renaissance, artists and designers regularly emulated aspects of the antique, although in general they attempted to surpass, rather than simply copy, the art of antiquity. In contrast, their counterparts in the eighteenth and early nineteenth centuries often endeavored to create more precise imitations of classical prototypes, especially in regard to objects for the fashionable domestic interior. **Heritage Gallery, Ongoing** - Feature works of art, archival documents, and photographs documenting the growth and evolution of the museum, from its beginnings as the original branch of the US Mint to its founding as an art museum to the present and beyond. **Ongoing** - "Art for the Millions: WPA Prints" and "Carolina Clay," featuring a display of colorful wares made between 1920 and 1950 as potters from NC adapted their works to a market economy. "Art of the United States," featuring contemporary works from the Mint's permanent collection, including works by Romare Bearden, Maud Gatewood, John Biggers, Juan Logan, Tarlton Blackwell, Radcliffe Bailey, Kojo Griffin, and others. "Art in the Americas," featuring paintings, precious metalwork, sculpture, furniture and decorative arts from the 17th through the 19th centuries illustrate the unique culture that emerged from the Spanish colonization of the Americas. **Crosland Gallery** - Featuring a presentation of portraits with many fascinating images presented. **Rankin Gallery** - Featuring a presentation of the Romare Bearden Collection, including two "new" Beardens. **Harris and Crist Galleries** - Featuring some contemporary works that are new to the collection or have not been seen for a while. **Delhom Gallery, Ongoing** - The European Collection of ceramic works. Admission: Yes. Hours: Tue., 10am-9pm (free every Tue. from 5-9pm); Wed.-Sat., 10am-6pm; and Sun., 1-5pm. Closed Mon. and major holidays. Contact: 704/337-2000 or at (www.mintmuseum.org).



Work by Débora Arango

Mint Museum Uptown, Levine Center for the Arts, 500 South Tryon St., Charlotte. **Feb. 23 - Jun. 16** - "Sociales: Débora Arango Arrives Today". The Medellín-born painter Débora Arango, who died in 2005 at the age of 98, was one of the pioneers of modern Colombian art. She is considered one of the most important and controversial modern artists of her time. Although her work is well regarded today in her native country, Arango had to fight against the conservative elite's prejudice throughout her life due to the political and social context of her paintings about the non-official civil war of the 1940s and 1950s, la época de La Violencia (1946-1963). Today, these paintings constitute an important site of collective memory. **Through Feb. 24** - "VantagePoint X / Vik Muniz: Garbage Matters". Combining three-dimensional elements within a two-dimensional pictorial space to create visually and conceptually loaded images, Muniz creates work that fosters a shift in visual perception as well as cultural preconceptions. Muniz was born into a working-class family in São Paulo, Brazil in 1961. Relocating to the United States in 1983, Muniz has since become one of the most well-known contemporary Brazilian artists working today. Beginning his career as a sculptor in the mid-1980s, Muniz became increasingly interested in photographic reproductions of his work, leading him to turn his attention wholly to photography. **Ongoing** - The Mint Museum Uptown will house the world renowned collections of the Mint Museum of Craft + Design, as well as the American Art and Contemporary

Art collections and selected works from the European Art collection. The building also includes a café, a Family Gallery, painting and ceramics studios, classrooms, a 240-seat auditorium, a Special Events Pavilion with outdoor terrace, and an expanded Museum Shop specializing in crafts of the Carolinas. Admission: Yes. Hours: Tue., 10am-9pm (free every Tue. from 5-9pm); Wed.-Sat., 10am-6pm; and Sun., 1-5pm. Closed Mon. and major holidays. Contact: 704/337-2000 or at (www.mintmuseum.org).

Pease Auditorium Gallery, Central Piedmont Community College, Central Campus, Pease Lane & Elizabeth Ave., Charlotte. **Through Mar. 17** - "Annual Airy Knoll Farm Show". Works in this show were produced in Professor Elizabeth Ross's annual summer class, a resident program presented by CPCC's Art Department. The Farm Class is a week long intensive exploration of the creative process of finding one's own voice in the visual arts. It takes place on the rolling hills of a farm in Middlebrook, VA in the beautiful Shenandoah Valley. Hours: Mon., Wed., & Fri., 9am-4pm and Tue. & Thur., 1-4pm. Contact: 704-330-6668 or at (<http://arts.cpcc.edu/art-gallery>).

Projective Eye Gallery, UNC-Charlotte Center City Building, 320 E. 9th Street, Uptown Charlotte. **Through Mar. 14** - "Henrique Oliveira," is an artist of layers using recycled rotten laminate wood to create folds, curves and caverns resembling the interiors of the body and forms found in nature. His installation works protrude from the wall confronting the viewer with a larger than life magnificence. The sinuous curves, so emblematic of his aesthetic, wrap around the existing structural lines of the surrounding architecture. The effect Oliveira's 3-Dimensional installations speak to the human experience on a physical level. Henrique Oliveira is a very accomplished international artist. His awards include an Art Fellowship at the Smithsonian Institutes National Museum of African Art in DC, and Cite International in Paris, the Fiat Mostra Brazil, Projeteis FUNARTE de Arte Contemporanea in Rio de Janeiro and the CNI SESI Marcantonio Vilaca for the Arts. His installation and flatworks have been seen in exhibits continuously throughout Brazil including the Sao Paulo and Monterrey Biennials, as well as Mexico, Miami, DC, Boulder, Houston, and Paris. Hours: Mon.-Sun., 9am-9pm. Contact: Crista Cammaroto, Director of Galleries at 704/687-0833, 704/687-2397 or at (<http://coaa.uncc.edu/Performances-exhibitions/Center-city-gallery>).

Rowe Arts Galleries, Rowe Arts Building, UNC-Charlotte, Charlotte. **Main and Upper Galleries, Feb. 11 - 23** - "UNC-Charlotte Student Juried Exhibition," juried by Moses Luski. Luski is an avid art collector and supporter of the arts in Charlotte. He has served on cultural boards such as The McColl Center for Visual Art, The Charlotte Symphony, and Opera Carolina. A reception and awards ceremony will be held on Feb. 11, from 12:30-1:45pm. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 10am-4pm. Contact: 704/547-3315 or at (<http://coaa.uncc.edu/events-exhibitions/venues-and-galleries/rowe-arts-gallery/exhibitions>).

Storrs Gallery, Storrs Hall, 100, 9201 University City Blvd., UNC Charlotte Main Campus, Charlotte. **Through Feb. 28** - "CATS Blue Line Art," featuring an exhibition of art proposed for Charlotte Area Transit System's Blue Line Extension of its light rail. The Blue Line Extension will begin at 9th Street in Center City, continue through NoDa, and terminate at the UNC Charlotte campus. Sixteen artists were selected in 2009 to integrate art into the system. This exhibition, designed by Leigh Brinkley/Brinkley Design, presents the art proposed by the 16 artists for each station and the alignment. Local artists include Susan Brenner, Chandra Cox, Sharon Dowell, Daren Goins, Ruth Ava Lyons and Paul Sires, Shaun Cassidy, and Tom Stanley. Other artists include Maria Artemis, June Bisantz, Carolyn Braaksma, Jackie Chang, Anna Valentina Murch and Doug Hollis, and Patricia Leighton and Del Geist. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 9am-5pm. Contact: 704/687-2397 or at (<http://coaa.uncc.edu/performances-exhibitions/storrs-gallery/exhibitions>).

The Civic & Cultural Arts Center of Pineville, 316 Main Street, right next door to "old" Pineville Police Station, Pineville. **Ongoing** - The CCAC is a 501(C)(3) non-profit organization offering a place where artist of every discipline have an opportunity to network and enhance their gifts. The CCAC is a gathering place for emerging and established artists of all ages to present, create and collaborate in giving life to their art, with a goal of embracing and promoting the artistic, creative and entrepreneurial possibilities available in our community through classes, workshops and on-going events and programs. Hours: Sat. 9am-1pm and most week nights from 6:30-9pm. Contact: call Lee Baumgarten at 704/889-2434, or visit (www.ccacpineville.org).

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