

SC Institutional Galleries

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Columbia Area

Columbia Museum of Art, Main & Hampton Streets, Columbia. **Lipscomb Family Galleries, Through Apr. 21** - "Impressionism from Monet to Matisse". The CMA showcases 55 masterworks from the Dixon Gallery and Gardens. Paintings by the well-known leaders of French Impressionism including Claude Monet, Pierre-Auguste Renoir, Camille Pissarro and Alfred Sisley, and paintings by America's most noted Impressionist painters; Mary Cassatt and John Singer Sargent, are featured in this exhibition. Major modern paintings by Paul Cézanne, Paul Gauguin and Georges Braque are on display next to the Impressionists. "The Dixon's French Impressionist paintings are utterly beautiful but they are also works of considerable historical significance," Dixon Gallery and Gardens Director Kevin Sharp said. "Some of these paintings were first seen in the original Impressionist shows of the 1870s and 1880s in Paris. These remarkable paintings speak eloquently to a fascinating age and the triumph of modern art in Europe." The exhibition is presented through the generosity of BB&T.

Gallery 15, Through Apr. 7 - "Anxious Visions: The Art of Michael Northius". Featuring paintings and drawings by Michael Northius, a prominent Southeastern artist, this exhibition takes a wry look at the psychological conditions of contemporary life. Northius finds inspiration from old master painters and uses a nearly surrealist and highly accomplished style to present his quirky visions of life. His work is entertaining, sensuous and disturbing when contemplated for any length of time. It is the kind of artwork that initially shocks, amuses or pleases, but its lasting impression is to ponder how offbeat the "normal" reality around us can be. **Wachovia Education Gallery, Through Mar. 31** - "Impressions of Youth". The CMA celebrates South Carolina Arts Education Association Youth Art Month with student work inspired by the exhibition "Impressionism from Monet to Matisse". **BB&T Focus Gallery, Ongoing** - "Southern Traditions," will showcase the richness and diversity of the Museum's collection of furniture, ceramics, silver, basketry, sculpture and paintings by artists native to, or active in, South Carolina and its surrounding states. Among the works on view will be fine silver made by Charleston and Columbia silversmiths; a sweet grass basket by Mary Jackson (SC, born 1945); wood carvings by Edgar Alexander McKillop (NC, 1879-1950); and paintings by Charles Fraser (SC, 1782-1860), Xanthus Russell Smith (SC, 1839-1929), William Harrison Scarborough (SC, 1812-1871), William Aiken Walker (SC, 1838-1921), among others.

Galleries 5 & 6, Ongoing - "Modern & Contemporary Art from the Collection". Celebrating some of the CMA's greatest hits, this exhibition features over 30 paintings, drawings, photographs and sculptures from the Museum's collection that have not been on view recently. It offers the visitor experiences both serious and sensual and is designed to both entertain and enlighten. Notable works included are by Jasper Johns, Howard Thomas, Sally Mann and Edward Ruscha, whose famous image of the Hollywood Hills (on view) has become a staple of the art world. **Ray Taylor Fair Gallery, Ongoing** - Featuring a new and permanent installation of its ancient art collection. The installation includes approximately 50 objects that introduce the major ancient civilizations from the Mediterranean and Near East. Examples of the earliest form of writing from 12th century B.C. Mesopotamia, are shown next to Egyptian scarabs and Greek painted vessels. The world of the ancient Romans is represented by 2nd century glass and bronze items and portrait sculpture. Many of these works have not been seen since the Museum moved to its location on Main Street in 1998. Admission: Yes, but there is no admission charge on Sun. Hours: Tue.-Fri., 11am-5pm; first Fri., till 8pm; Sat., 10am-5pm & Sun., noon-5pm. Contact: 803/799-2810 or at (www.columbiamuseum.org).

Goodall Gallery, Spears Music/Art Center, Columbia College, 1301 Columbia College Drive, Columbia. **Through Feb. 16** - "South Carolina Governor's School for the Arts and Humanities Faculty Exhibition. The exhibition will highlight current visual arts faculty from the Governor's School: Marty Epp-Carter, Ben Gilliam, Elaine Quave, Joseph Thompson, Carolyn Tucker, and Paul Yanko. Hours: Mon.-Wed., 10am-5pm, Thur.-Fri., 10am-7pm, and Sat.&Sun., 1-5pm. Contact: call Rebecca B. Munnerlyn at 803/786.3649 or e-mail at (rbumnerlyn@colacol.edu).

McKissick Museum, University of South Carolina, USC Horseshoe, Columbia. **Through May 21** - "Step Right Up! Sideshow in American Culture". Featuring the work of Beaufort, SC-based visual artist Rebecca Davenport, the exhibit explores the sideshow as a cultural phenomenon during the late 19th century and continuing today. Focusing on several key themes, the exhibition will explore the dynamic nature of sideshow

culture, the concept of "the other," and the public perception of showmanship and exploitation. **Ongoing** - "Highlights from the Permanent Collections of McKissick Museum". **Permanent** - "Baruch Silver Collection," a collection of the Baruch family silver. And, "Natural Curiosity: USC and the Evolution of Scientific Inquiry into the Natural World". Hours: Mon.-Fri., 8:30am-5pm & Sat., 11am-3pm. Contact: 803/777-7251 or at (<http://artsandsciences.sc.edu/mcks/>).

McMaster Gallery, room 119, basement level, McMaster Building, 1615 Senate Street, University of South Carolina, corner of Pickens & Senate Streets, Columbia. **Through Feb. 16** - "Linda Foard Roberts: Photography". Roberts works employ spiritual, visual metaphors and the physical world to explore life's transformations. Using past photographic traditions that are taken from her present day surroundings, Roberts creates timeless photographs and universal themes. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 9am-4:30pm. Contact: Mana Hewitt, Gallery Director at 803/777-7480 or at (http://artsandsciences.sc.edu/art/mcmaster_gallery).

Richland County Public Library, Main Library's Wachovia Gallery, 1431 Assembly St., Columbia. **Ongoing** - Featuring 20 pieces of public art on permanent display. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 9am-9pm; Sat. 9am-6pm; Sun, 2-6pm. Contact: 803/988-0886 or at (www.richland.lib.sc.us).



Detail of work by Stephen Hayes

701 Center for Contemporary Art, 701 Whaley St., Columbia. **Main Gallery, Through Mar. 3** - "Stephen Hayes: Cash Crop". The 29-year-old Hayes is in residence at 701 CCA from early January through the end of March. At the core of the exhibit are 15 life-size sculptures of shackled people placed in boat- or coffin-like structures, with diagrams of captive, warehoused humans in Trans-Atlantic slave ships carved in wood on the back. The sculptures represent, Hayes says, "the 15 million human beings kidnapped and transported by sea during the Trans-Atlantic slave trade." Hours: Wed., 11am-8pm; Thur.-Sat., 11am-5pm & Sun., 1-5pm. Contact: 803/238-2351 or at (www.701cca.org).

SC State Museum, 301 Gervais St., Columbia. **Through June 9** - "Secrets of the Maya". The exhibition combines more than 125 artifacts dating to 2000 B.C., a gallery of photos, reproductions of stone carvings, and artifacts made by the Maya people who survive today to paint a clearer portrait than has previously been seen of this historically mysterious culture. The exhibit will showcase the lives of these masters of Central America. How they lived, played, worshipped and more will be illustrated through centuries-old artifacts and newly-made items by the Maya who survive today. Admission to "Secrets of the Maya" is \$15 for adults, \$13 for senior citizens and \$11 for ages 3-12, and includes general museum admission. South Carolina students in groups are admitted to the exhibit for \$5. **Through 2015** - "The Coming of the Civil War," will look at the origins of the disagreement between South Carolina and the federal government, beginning with the nullification crisis of 1832-33. The exhibit will be augmented by five more single-topic exhibits through the sesquicentennial war years (2011-2015) until the expansion space is filled. **Recent Acquisitions Gallery, Through Apr. 7** - "For Us the Living: The Civil War Art of Mort Kunstler," an exhibit of about 30 of Kunstler's Civil War paintings and sketches. These paintings bring the war experience to life, and depict the reality as opposed to the romance. **The Crescent Café**, second floor mezzanine of the Museum. The house menu offers a variety of baked goods, juices, coffee, hot chocolate and tea. Lunchtime offerings include deli sandwiches and alternating daily soups, as well as grilled chicken salads

and sandwiches. And let's not forget the house specialty: spectacular fudge, handmade on-site. **Café Hours:** Tue.-Sat., 10am-4pm and Sun. 1-4pm. **Museum Hours:** Tue.-Sat., 10am-5pm; Sun., 1-5pm. Admission: Yes. Contact: Tut Underwood at 803/898-4921 or at (www.southcarolinastatemuseum.org).

ALTERNATE ART SPACES - Columbia area **Columbia Metropolitan Convention Center**, 1101 Lincoln St., Columbia. **Ongoing** - Featuring works by local artists throughout the convention center, including works by Mike Williams, Liisa Salosaari Jasinski, Tyrone Geter, Peter Lenzo, Jamie Davis, Tom Lockart & Mark Woodham, Angela Bradburn, Virginia Scotchie, Denise Dent, Sue Grier, Brian Rego, Heather LaHaise, Howard Hunt, Robert Campbell, Ernest Lee, David J.P. Hooker, Ralph Waldrop, Elena Madden, Debbie Martin, Blue Sky, Laura Spong, Jean McWhorter, Claire Farrell, Justin Guy, and Jonathan Green. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 9am-5pm; Sat., 10am-4pm & Sun., 1-5pm. Contact: 803/545-0001 or at (www.columbiaconventioncenter.com/phototour/phototour/).

Conway



Work by Troy Wingard

The Rebecca Randall Bryan Art Gallery, located in the Thomas W. and Robin W. Edwards College of Humanities and Fine Arts Building, Coastal Carolina University, Conway. **Through Feb. 22** - "Preciousness, featuring an exhibition by artist Troy Wingard. Wingard describes his mixed media pastel portraits as an exploration of the "ideas, identity, culture and individualism" of the artists he depicts in a piece. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 9am-5pm. Contact: 843/349-2711 or at (www.coastal.edu/bryanartgallery/).

Due West

Bowie Arts Center, Bonner St., Erskine College, Due West. **Ongoing** - Permanent Collections, 19th c. furniture, cut-glass, clocks and decorative arts. Also, 19th & early 20th c. music boxes & mechanical musical instruments. Hours: M-Th, 1-4:30pm or by appt. Contact: 864/379-8867.

Florence

Art Trail Gallery, 185 West Evans Street, just around the corner from their old location on Dargon Street, Florence. **Through Feb. 9** - Featuring an exhibit of artwork by members of the Seacoast Artists' Guild. The Guild is dedicated to advancing excellence in the visual arts through teaching, exhibits, workshops and special events. The Guild seeks to stimulate increased awareness of art and its benefits throughout the area and in the state of South Carolina. Hours: Tue.-Thur., 11am-6pm & Sat. 11am-4pm. Contact: 843/673-0729, e-mail at (atg@art-trail-gallery.com) or at (www.art-trail-gallery.com).

Hyman Fine Arts Center, Francis Marion University, Florence. **Through Feb. 14** - "Expansion," featuring works by Colleen A. Critcher, who was born in Newton, NJ, in 1980. She later relocated to Florence, SC, with her family. She attended college at Francis Marion University where she received a Bachelor of Arts degree in 2002. In 2012 Critcher received her Master of Fine Arts degree in painting from the Savannah College of Art and Design in Savannah, Georgia. She currently lives and works in Florence with her husband Bradford Critcher. **Feb. 19 - Mar. 28** - "New Drawings by Alex Powers". Powers has been a painter and self-employed art teacher since 1970. He exhibits in galleries in six states, and among his many national juried exhibition awards is the Gold Metal at the 1997 American Watercolor Society Annual Exhibition. He travels and teaches 8 or 10 workshops per year. His painting style has recently evolved from a personal content-dominated imagery. **Feb. 19 - Mar. 28** - "Brass Menagerie: Sculptural Works by Jim Gleason". "My pieces are fabricated from the parts of many different musical instruments... the majority of which have served for many years in the South Carolina school systems until they

were no longer cost effective to service. The techniques used to create them are similar to those I have used for over 30 years repairing and customizing instruments for military bands, public schools, museums and private collections." Hours: Mon.-Fri., 8am-5pm. Contact: 843/661-1385 or at (<http://departments.fmarion.edu/finearts/gallery.htm>).

Gaffney

Cherokee Alliance of Visual Artists Gallery, 210 West Frederick Street, located in the former Old Post Office building one street over from the Main Street with the City of Gaffney Visitors Center, Gaffney. **Ongoing** - Featuring works in a variety of media by Cherokee County artists. Hours: Tue.-Fri., 8:30am-5pm & Sat., 9am-1pm. Contact: 864/489-9119 or e-mail at (cavagallery@yahoo.com).

Greenville

Downtown Greenville - "First Fridays," featuring a gallery crawl presented on the first Fri. of the month from 6-9pm. Visit galleries throughout the downtown area. For info: (www.fristfridaysonline.com).

Greenville County Museum of Art, 420 College Street, Greenville. **Feb. 6 - Apr. 21** - "Jamie Wyeth, Rockwell Kent and Monhegan". Though the two never met in person, both Rockwell Kent and Jamie Wyeth share the inspiration of the rocky shores that have lured artists to Monhegan for more than 150 years. Kent's large-scale early 20th-century canvases survey Monhegan's rugged landscape while Wyeth's 21st-century paintings focus on the island's residents and even a few quirkier subjects. The stereotypical Monhegan subjects of buoys and lobster boats are nowhere to be found in this exhibition organized by Farnsworth Museum in Rockland, Maine. **Feb. 6 - Sept. 29** - "William H. Johnson: Native Son". Born and raised in the farming town of Florence, South Carolina, William H. Johnson (1901 - 1970) left his hometown for New York at the age of 17. By working a variety of odd jobs he was able to enroll in classes at the National Academy of Design. From New York, Johnson traveled to Paris and settled in Kerterminde, Denmark before returning to the U.S. as Nazism advanced in Europe. This exhibition surveys Johnson's career from his early Paris works to his later 1940s recollections of his boyhood in South Carolina. **Feb. 6 - Sept. 29** - "Merton Simpson: Confrontations". Powerful and poignant, the large-scale paintings of artist Merton Simpson offer a contemporaneous glimpse of the horror of the Harlem Race Riots and the Orangeburg Massacre. Erupting after days of escalating racial tensions near the campus of South Carolina State University, the latter event set the stage for Ohio's Kent State shootings but was largely ignored by both regional and national press. **Through Feb. 24** - "Here's Your Freedom". Celebrating the human spirit in its pursuit of individual, political, and artistic freedoms, these selections from the GCMMA's permanent collection invite viewers to discover and invent their own definitions of freedom. Featured artists include Fritz Bultman, David Hare, Philip Guston, Andy Warhol, and Eric Fischl among other notable modern and contemporary artists. **Through Apr. 14** - "Hearing Helen". Defying categorization, the paintings of Spartanburg, SC, artist Helen Dupre Moseley (1887 - 1984) draw viewers into an imaginative world of characters and creatures that seem to have their origins in ancient Egyptian and Renaissance portraiture and modern Surrealism. Wife, mother, and public servant, Moseley began painting at age 60 having never had a formal lesson. Her engaging and untitled images invite viewers into the whimsical and, at times, darkly mysterious world of her imagination. **Ongoing** - "Andrew Wyeth: The Greenville Collection". The exhibition that brings Greenville national and international visitors has expanded to include eleven new paintings, including two temperas. Come see why the artist himself called it "the finest collection of his watercolors" at any museum. Admission: Free. Hours: Wed.-Sat., 10am-6pm and Sun., 1-5pm. Contact: 864/271-7570 or at (www.greenvillemuseum.org).

Lipscomb Gallery, South Carolina Governor's School for the Arts and Humanities, 15 University St., Greenville. **Ongoing** - We feature several exhibitions throughout each year - our own students and faculty, plus many guest artists. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 10am-4pm. Visitors are asked to sign in at the Administration Building's front desk before entering campus. Contact: 864/282-3777 or at (www.scgah.state.sc.us).

Metropolitan Arts Council Gallery, 16 Augusta Street, Greenville. **Ongoing** - Featuring works by Greenville area artists. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 8am-5pm. Contact: 864/467-3132, or at (www.greenvillearts.com).

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