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abused, abandoned, and neglected companion animals - cats and dogs - which require shelter, food, medical care and love.

Hallie Hill Animal Sanctuary's dedication to provide a long-term, comfortable, loving home to its dog and cat residents serves as the foundation for Charleston County's designation as a NO-KILL community. A NO-KILL community designation dependent on the continuous operation of Hallie Hill Animal Sanctuary where companion animals are treated with love, care and respect hence demonstrating that human actions speak louder than words.

Founded in 1998 by Helen McLeod Bradham on the site of her family's horse farm, Hallie Hill was born of her deeprooted belief that "humans could and should do better by animal companions living among them.

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### Society of Bluffton Artists in Bluffton, SC, Features Works by Joan Wykis

The Society of Bluffton Artists in Bluffton, SC, will present *Artistic Musings*, featuring mixed media works by Joan Wykis, on view from Feb. 5 through Mar. 4, 2018. A reception will be held on Feb. 11, from 3-5pm.

"Painting is playing a major passion in my life since my retirement," said Wykis. "What fun to pick up a brush and see different colored shapes bursting onto paper under my direction."

Wykis work includes a Batik style of painting that entails many an initial application of wax to areas remaining white, a layer of watercolor paint, more wax, more color and more wax to the entire paper that is then crumpled. Another layer of darker paint is applied that settles into the cracks made by the wax. The wax is removed with absorbent paint and heat.

Wykis began studying under talented artists Carol Ann Sherman, Janet Rogers, Mike Bailey and Myrna Wacknov in Palm Beach County, FL. Her work are regularly displayed at the SoBA gallery, Alexander's Restaurant on Hilton Head and Calhoun Street Gallery in Bluffton.

"My process and understanding of what works for me as an artist continues to evolve as I strive to learn as much as I can when I paint and instruct," said Wykis whose work includes striking portraits and



Work by Joan Wykis

landscapes of the surrounding Lowcountry area.

SoBA is the flourishing art hub in Bluffton's historic District at the corner of Church and Calhoun streets. SoBA offers regular art classes, featured artist shows, exhibitions and more.

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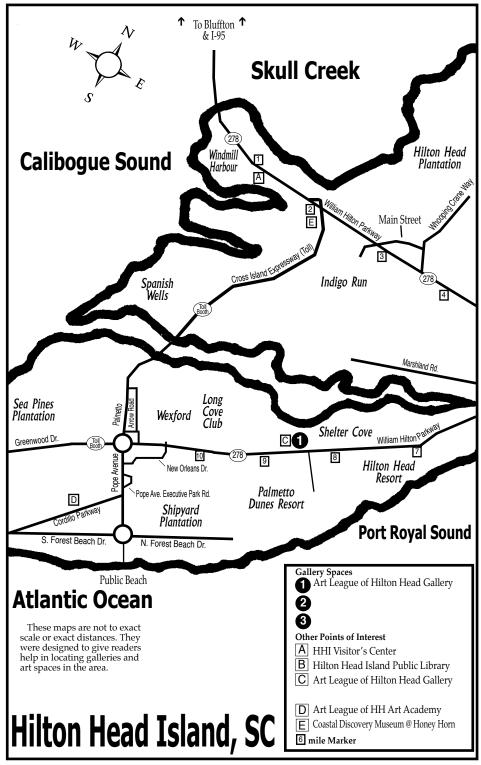
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#### **Coastal Discovery Museum on Hilton Head Island, SC, Features Exhibition Focused on Pirates**

The Coastal Discovery Museum on Hilton Head Island, SC, is presenting *Pirates, Privateers and Buccaneers of the Carolinas*, a travel exhibit of the South Carolina State Museum, on view through Feb. 26, 2018. The exhibit will make patrons avast (that's stop in pirate lingo) and gasp as the world of pirates comes alive at the Museum.

The story of Blackbeard, who blockaded Charleston Harbor in 1718 prior to his death in North Carolina can be found in this traveling exhibit, along with the stories of many other pirates.

The exhibit will appeal to those who have always been fascinated by these desperadoes of the seas. This exhibit will dispel a number of popular myths about pirates, such as that they made their victims walk the plank, and used phrases such as 'arrr,' and 'matey,' which are fictions of Hollywood. This exhibit was developed by the South Carolina State Museum with research, collaboration and assistance from the North Carolina Museum of History, the Queen Anne's Revenge Project of the North Carolina Office of State Archaeol-



Museum. Privateers and Buccaneers Pirates of the Carolinas is a part of a traveling exhibition tours the state through the South Carolina State Museum's Traveling Exhibitions Program. The Traveling Exhibitions Program gives galleries, museums, and art centers across South Carolina the opportunity to request the exhibit to tour their facilities. A special thank you to Meeting Dynamics, Inc. for pirate-themed props that are installed in the exhibition. For further information check our SC Institutional Gallery listings or call Robin Swift at 843/689-6767, ext. 224

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