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Grovewood Gallery in Asheville, NC

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weave pieces that are meant to be worn and used. I believe handmade treasures should function as everyday objects."

All demonstrating artists will have original works of art for sale. The ten percent discount does not apply to demonstrators' artwork or custom/special orders.

Shoppers can also enjoy lunch or dinner at the Golden Fleece restaurant, next door to Grovewood Gallery, featuring upscale Mediterranean cuisine, heavily influenced by owner Giorgios Bakatsias' Greek heritage.

Established in 1992, Grovewood Gallery is a nationally recognized gallery dedicated to fine American-made art and craft. The gallery is part of Grovewood Village, housed in the historic weaving and woodworking complex of Biltmore Industries, adjacent to The Omni Grove Park Inn. The 11-acre property, celebrating its centennial this year, is listed on the National Register of Historic Places and is also home to working artist studios, a



Bryan Koontz working on a painting

sculpture garden, Golden Fleece restaurant, and Asheville's only antique car museum.

For further information check our NC Commercial Gallery listings, call the gallery at 828/253-7651 or visit (www.grovewood.com).

Woolworth Walk in Asheville, NC, Features Works by Jennifer Barrineau and Marilou Solares

Woolworth Walk in Asheville, NC, will present Jennifer Barrineau + Marilou Solares, featuring paintings by Jennifer Barrineau and mixed media works by Marilou Solares, on view in the FW Gallery, from Mar. 1 - 30, 2017. A reception will be held on Mar. 3, from 4-6pm.

Jennifer Barrineau grew up in Sarasota, FL, where she received her BFA in illustration from Ringling College of Art and Design. In the years following she worked for various companies in Florida and New Orleans illustrating concepts for product and package design.

Barrineau has created designs approved and completed by Coca Cola, Budweiser, Gibson Guitars, Girl Scouts of America, and others. After having a child and moving to Asheville 12 years ago, she decided to focus on creating her own images. Mountain life has inspired this artist to develop a vibrant color driven style of painting to express her love of nature. The works in this show continue that path with portraits of birds, and our more domestic friends brought in close together in a whimsical manner.

Marilou Solares was born in Havana, Cuba in 1957. Her art education began in Puerto Rico at age 10 with Argentinian Professor Antonio Gantes, artist Jorge Rechani was her teacher and mentor during Middle & High School years. She attended The Art Student's League in Old San Juan, and Casa Candina Ceramics Studio in Condado, Puerto Rico. She received an Associates in Art degree from MDCC College at Miami, FL, and a Bachelor in Fine Arts Degree from Southampton College of Long Island University.

Solares had the opportunity to live in Puerto Rico, the Dominican Republic and Florida. Throughout this period she participated in several Plein Air Competitions at Deering Estate, FL, where she achieved first place and honorable mention. She created a series of 12 Religious acrylic paintings for Sr. Richards Chapel at Palmetto Bay Florida. During the years she has created large oil paintings, being portraits, botanicals and landscapes.

Solares moved to Asheville in 2014, where she is now pursuing her professional artist life. She paints wooden bird houses while enjoying the outdoors. Last year she explored Buddhism and Yoga practice. She created a series of oil and watercolor paintings which she donated to Asheville Community Yoga in Woodfin, to help raise funds for their expansion. She continues to create Yoga themed watercolors and has incorporated them along with: "The Flight & Stay Asheville" Bird homes Series 1 and 2 at Woolworth Walk Gallery.

Solares' personal interests are: faith.



Work by Marilou Solares

fine arts and crafts, music, theatre, yoga, the ocean, mountains, swimming, fishing, sailing, tubing, reading, doing puzzles, travels to The National Parks and a few Caribbean Islands. This is her testimonial: "During moments of inspiration I travel back in time and reminiscence past good and bad situations, The Earth, feelings of love, gratitude, deception, faith and courage. Each piece of my work is simply a gift from my soul to the recipient.'

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Number 7 Arts Gallery in Brevard, NC, Reopens in New Location

Member-artists and friends of Number 7 Arts reopened their popular downtown Brevard, NC, gallery on Jan. 27, 2017. The completely renovated space in the historic McMinn building garnered rave reviews from the nearly 400 people in attendance.

Attendees were overwhelmingly continued above on next column to the right | delighted with the results, describing the

gallery as "amazing," "beautiful," "unbelievable." Some seemed genuinely thunderstruck, able to muster only a breathless "wow" as they tried to take it all in.

Much of the renovation was accomplished by a corps of dedicated volunteers comprised of member-artists, gallery friends and their families. The construc-

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