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rounding environmental issues and unintended consequences of human interaction with nature. Produced and curated by David J. Wagner. 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).

Beaufort

Mattie King Davis Art Gallery, Beaufort Historic Site, 130 Turner Street, Beaufort. Ongoing - The Mattie King Davis Art Gallery, Carteret County's Oldest Gallery, is housed in one of the Historic Site's oldest buildings and features over 100 local and regional artists. An extensive collection of fine art, pottery, crafts, and gifts can be found at this special gallery. Hours: Mon.-Sat., 9:30am-5pm. Contact: 252/728-5225.

Belmont

Bliss Gallery, established by Holy Angels, 25 N. Main Street, Belmont. Through Mar. 21 -"People, Places, and Perspectives," featuring works by guest artists Barbara O'Neal Davis and Martha Manco. Ongoing - Holy Angels established Bliss Gallery to offer persons who are differently able the opportunity to share creative abilities and showcase their art alongside the works of guest artists during special exhibitions. Hours: Tue.-Fri., noon-5pm & Sat., 10am-2pm. Contact: Harmony Heslop at 704/280-9475, e-mail at (blissgallery@holyangelsnc.org) or visit (www.holyangelsnc.org).

Blowing Rock

Blowing Rock Art and History Museum, corner of Chestnut and Main streets, downtown Blowing Rock. Mar. 21 - Aug. 9 - "Branching Out: Works" in Wood from North Carolina," features a diverse selection of work, ranging from wooden furniture to sculpture, as well as a variety of types of wood and techniques used to create these contemporary works. Exhibiting artists come from across the state of North Carolina and include Roger Atkins, Derrick Beasley, Kim & Paul Fuelling, Mark Gardner, Aspen Golann, Craig Kassan, Jim Oleson, Brent Skidmore, Bob Trotman, Anthony Ulinski, Joël Urruty, Zak Weinberg, and Erik Wolken. Works in the exhibition explore concepts of functionality, texture, color, form, space, humanity, belief, and technology. These artists "branch out" to create work out of wood in unique ways, expanding the possibilities within this familiar medium. Through Mar. 21 - "Sallie Middleton: A Life in the Forest". Sallie Ellington Middleton (1926-2009) spent her childhood in one of Asheville's most remarkable homes located near the end of Chunn's Cove Road. Designed by her uncle Douglas Ellington, who also designed the Asheville City Building, the house was listed in House Beautiful as one of "The Ten Most Interesting Homes in America." Middleton and her sister Martha spent their childhood exploring the valley and hillsides of Chunn's Cove. It was here that Middleton first demonstrated her interest in the natural world and her talent for art. Through Mar. 21 - "Shared Spaces: Wildlife Wood Sculptures by Pete Lupo". Sculpting since 1983, Lenoir-based artist Pete Lupo brings an intimate knowledge of wildlife, their habitat and their interaction with mankind. Growing up around his grandparents' farms in rural southeastern North Carolina, he was rewarded with an awareness of the simple things of life. How a change in light can reveal color and form in everyday objects that so often go unnoticed, learning along the way that sometimes we must slow down in order to really see. "Shared Spaces: Wildlife Wood Sculptures by Pete Lupo" features seven of his latest hyper-realistic woodcarvings of animals and wildlife "sharing space" with objects like old tin cans and frayed hats. Through Apr. 11 - "Sound Machines: Stringed Instruments by the Capozzoli Guitar Company." Capozzoli says, "Playing music is one of the greatest past times. It brings friends and strangers together. It makes you feel good as both a player and listener. One of my top passions is to design and build engines for this circumstance, to create tools that may help inspire the artist or performer to write and create music and to perhaps give the player individuality with the uniqueness of each instrument. My personal inspiration derives from the environment I'm submerged in, from the materials I choose to the designs I create. We all exist because the past came before us. The past is always lingering around, showing us signs of where we came from and where we've been. We pass it by every day. Some may see it and not even realize it's a piece of the past yet they know it makes them feel good when it's in their presence. I incorporate elements of yesterday

with modern comforts of today and tomorrow to create timeless instruments that seem familiar yet new." 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. Hours: Tue.-Sat., 10am-5pm & Sun., noon-4pm. 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.

Catherine J. Smith Gallery, Farthing Auditorium, Appalachian State University, Boone. Through Mar. 20 - "Faculty Biennial". It's not the kind of thing that happens every year, so when the Turchin Center for the Visual Arts offers the public a comprehensive glimpse into the ordinarily private, multidisciplinary studios of Appalachian State University's Art Department, it's always a cause for celebration. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 10am-5pm. Contact: 828/262-7338 or at (www.art. appstate.edu/cjs).

Turchin Center for the Visual Arts, Appalachian State University, 423 West King Street, Boone. Main Gallery, Through June 6 - "Lián and Liàn" - An installation by Hui Chi Lee. A reception will be held on Mar. 6, from 6-10pm. People are by nature social beings. People need other people to survive, and as such they tend to perpetually seek social interactions. However, human relationships are inherently complex and multi-faceted. The ideology of the series, "Lián and Liàn", on view at the Turchin Center for the Visual Arts, begins with a pair of Chinese homophones "Lián and Liàn" that, depending on the context, mean either "to connect" or "to enchain." On one hand, the works portray the tensions and dynamics within human relationships; on the other, they explore how these same forces may constrict or enchain humans when negative forces come into play. While these works are in part a meditation on Taiwanese cultural traditions, they can be applied broadly to human experience itself. Gallery A & B, Through May 2 - "Faculty Biennial". A reception will be held on Mar. 6, from 6-10pm. It's not the kind of thing that happens every year, so when the Turchin Center for the Visual Arts offers the public a comprehensive glimpse into the ordinarily private, multidisciplinary studios of Appalachian State University's Art Department, it's always a cause for celebration. Hours: 10am-6pm, Tue., Wed., Thur., & Sat. and Fri.,noon -8pm. Contact: Hank T. Foreman at 828/262-3017 or at (www. turchincenter.org).

ALTERNATE ART SPACES - Boone **Throughout Appalachian State University** campus, Boone. Through May 31 - "33rd Rosen Outdoor Sculpture Competition & Exhibition". Made possible by the continued generosity of the Rosen Family: The Martin & Doris Rosen Giving Fund/Debbie Rosen Davidson and David Rosen/Charles & Nancy Rosenblatt Foundation. The "Rosen Sculpture Competition and Exhibition" is an annual national juried competition presented by An Appalachian Summer Festival and the Turchin Center for the Visual Arts. Since its establishment by Martin and Doris Rosen in 1987, the Rosen competition continues a tradition of showcasing contemporary American sculpture in outdoor settings across the campus of Appalachian State University. This year, twelve sculptures have been selected. Cash prizes are awarded to three artists whose work is chosen by the juror and will be announced at the annual sculpture walk - a highlight of every summer festival season. Participating artists include: David Boyajian, New Fairfield, CT; Brian Glaze, Sinking Spring, PA; Derek Chalfant, Elmira, NY; Hanna Jubran, Grimesland, NC; Beau Lyday, Valdese, NC; Robert Coon, Vero Beach, FL; Shawn Morin, Bowling Green, OH; Bob Doster, Lancaster, SC; Stephen Klema, Winsted, CT; and Glenn Zweygardt, Alfred Station, NY. Hours: daylight hours. Contact: Hank T. Foreman at 828/262-3017 or at (www.turchincenter.org).

chian craft, including jewelry, pottery, wood, fiber, ironwork, basketry and other disciplines. You'll find marquetry earrings, clay serving platters, turned-wood bowls, functional fireplace poker sets and many more unique items. The shop is also proud to be the home of the world-renowned Brasstown Carvers. A book room houses hundreds of instructional and celebratory books on everything from basketry to writing. Buy a few art supplies or a CD from our collection of traditional Appalachian music. You can take home a Folk School t-shirt, hat or bag as a souvenir. Find the perfect scenic postcard to tell everyone back home about your visit to the Folk School. Hours: Mon.-Sat., 8am-5pm; Thur. til 6pm and Sun., 1-5pm. Contact: 800/365-5724 or at (www. folkschool.org).

Brevard

Number 7 Fine Arts and Crafts Gallery, 2 West Main Street, historic McMinn building, Brevard. Ongoing - A Fine Arts and Fine Crafts cooperative featuring the juried works of 22 of Transylvania County's finest artists and craftspeople. New works on display daily. Hours: Mon.-Sat., 10am-5pm. Contact: 828/883-2294 or at (www. number7arts.com).

Burlington

Point of View Gallery, 717 Chapel Hill Road, Burlington. **Ongoing -** Featuring works by member artists: Kathy Alderman, Frances Baker, India Cain, John Dodson, Steven Durland, Debra Farmer, Bill Ferree, Brenda Garner, Wendy Gellert, Michael Kennedy, Cheryl Knox, Peggy McCormick, Jacqueline Mehring, Christine Seiler, Lane Watson, and Rose Wenkel. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 10am-5pm and Sat. & Sun., 1-5pm. Contact: 336/270-4998 or at (www. PointOfViewGallery.com).

Burnsville

Burnsville Gallery, Toe River Arts Council, 102 W. Main St., Burnsville. Ongoing - Featuring works by artists from Mitchell and Yancey Counties sponsored by the Toe River Arts Council. Hours: Mon.-Sat., 10am-5pm. Contact: 828/682-7215 or at (www.toeriverarts.org).

Cary

Throughout Cary, Mar. 27, from 6-8pm - "Cary Art Loop," featuring an evening tour of art spaces in Cary held on the final Friday of the month. Take the C-Tran to the Cary Art Loop! The free bus will make stops at Coffee and Crepes, Studio 180 Salon, Ashworth Village, Cary Arts Center and Page-Walker Arts & History Center/Cary Town Hall. Contact: (www.caryartloop.org).

Cary Gallery of Artists, 200 S Academy St, Ste 120, Ashworth Square, Cary. Ongoing - The gallery offers high quality art in a variety of styles. Paintings, pencil and colored pencil artwork varies from traditional still lifes and landscapes to abstracts. Portraits of people or animals are available. Photographic work captures magnificent landscapes, small moments in life, portraits, and far away places. The pottery and clay art includes edgy handbuilt pieces, thoughtprovoking sculpted masks, and decorative and functional pottery that captures images of nature. Our jewelry artists provide a wide range of hand-crafted necklaces, earrings, bracelets and other ornaments from metals, stones, beads and fused glass. Our glass artist creates stained glass hangings, custom stained glass windows and fused glass art. You can also find unusual hand-made books and hand-painted porcelain both antique and new. Hours: Mon.-Sat., 11am-5:30pm. Contact: 919/462-2035 or at (www. carygalleryofartists.org).

Chapel Hill - Carrboro

Ceramics". Toriawase is a Japanese concept that loosely means to choose and combine objects with exquisite care. This special installation approaches the combination of modern art and ceramics in this spirit, aiming less for a historical or scholarly approach and more for an intuitive, experiential orchestration of relationships and correspondences. Modern and contemporary Japanese painting and sculpture are not often displayed or considered alongside ceramics of the same period. The exhibition draws on the Ackland's holdings, as well as three major private collections: James Keith Brown '84 and Eric Diefenbach, Mina Levin and Ronald Schwarz, and Carol and Jeffrey Horvitz. Through Apr. 12 - "Yayoi Kusama: Open the Shape Called Love". Yayoi Kusama is one of the most admired of all contemporary artists. Her "Infinity Rooms," mirrored and specially lit environments, have recently been a premier attraction for art lovers all over the world. This exhibition presents the distinguished collection of James Keith Brown '84 and Eric Diefenbach to explore other aspects of her oeuvre, with a special concentration on the early works on paper of the 1950s, a full range of intimate "dot paintings" and "net paintings," examples of her provocative sculpture and multi-media work, and one tabletop mirror box. Museum Store Gallery (Franklin and Columbia Street), Store hours: Mon.-Sat., 10am-5:30pm & Sun., noon-5pm. Museum Hours: Wed, & Thur., 10am-9pm; 2nd Fris. 10am-9pm; all other Fris., 10am-5pm; Sat. 10am-5pm & Sun., 1-5pm. Contact: 919/966-5736 or at (www.ackland.org).

FRANK, University Place, Chapel Hill. Ongoing - Featuring work from over 70 artists, Frank offers more than you'd expect from an art gallery. Frank is a collective, founded by the area's finest artists working together to open the door for creative innovation in the arts. Hours: Tue.-Sat., 10am-6pm & Sun., 1-6pm. Contact: Contact: 919/636-4135 or at (www.frankisart. com).

The ArtsCenter, 300-G East Main Street, Carrboro. Ongoing - Nurturing the arts in the triangle since 1974 through performance, education and exhibition. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 9am-9pm and Sat. 10am-5pm. Contact: 919/929-2787 or at (http://artscenterlive.org).

Charlotte Area

North Davidson Arts District Gallery Crawl -From 6-9 or 10pm on the 1st & 3rd Fridays of each month. For info check (www.noda.org).

Uptown Gallery Crawl - From 6-8pm on the 1st Friday of each month.

South End Art Gallery Crawl - From 6-9pm on the 1st Friday of each month.

Bechtler Museum of Modern Art, Levine Center for the Arts, 420 South Tryon St., Charlotte. Fourth Floor Gallery, Through May 3 - "TEN". Since the Bechtler Museum of Modern Art opened our doors in 2010, we have hosted more than thirty modern art exhibitions. TEN features a selection of works from sixteen past fourth-floor exhibitions, all brought together to showcase the excellence and share the joy of the Bechtler collection as we look back at the past decade in celebration of our ten-year anniversary. Exhibitions featured include: School of Paris: Abstraction Post World War II, Niki de Saint Phalle: Creation of a New Mythology, Geometry and Experimentation: European Art of the 1960s and 1970s, Mid-Century Modernism: 1957 and The Bechtler Collection, Giacometti: Memory and Presence, Artistic Relationships: Partners, Mentors, Lovers, Modernism in Changing Times: Works from 1968, British Invasion, The Art Books of Henri Matisse, Sam Francis: Rapid Fluid Indivisible Vision, The House That Modernism Built, Bechtler Collec tion: Relaunched and Rediscovered, Celebrating Jean Tinguely and Santana, Wrestling the Angel: A Century of Artists Reckoning With Religion, and Bechtler Unseen: Works from the 50s and 60s. Second Floor Gallery, Through July 6 - "Filled with Light: The Desisgns of the Bechtler Museum of Mondern Art". In commemoration of its tenth anniversary, Filled with Light shares the lesser-known programmatic and design evolution of the Bechtler Museum of Modern Art. In 2000, Andreas Bechtler and his family began to explore a variety of approaches to fulfill the family wish of sharing their impeccable art collection highlighting the creative zeal of the best of 20th-century Modernism. Visitors see early designs for the museum as it was originally imagined at Mountain Island Lake before the museum became slated to become part of the Levine Center for the Arts in Uptown Charlotte. Never-before-seen architectural sketches, drawings, study photographs and plans illuminate the remarkable evolution of this powerful yet intimate building. The result is an architectural piece of art that is filled with light, engaging community spaces and home to Charlotte's largest private collection of Modern art since 2010. Ongoing - The Bechtler Mu-

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Brasstown

Folk School Craft Shop, John C. Campbell Folk School, Olive D. Campbell Building, Brasstown. Ongoing - The shop represents more than 300 juried craftspeople and features an impressive collection of traditional and contemporary Appala-

Plaza at 140 West Franklin Street in downtown Chapel Hill. 1st & 2nd Fri. - Every Friday beginning in April we will host our Live and Local Music and Art Series at the 140 West Plaza. Our 2nd Friday events will include visual arts. 2nd Fridays are the Chapel Hill Downtown Partnerships Art Walk. For info visit (www. townofchapelhill.org).

Ackland Art Museum, UNC - Chapel Hill, Columbia & Franklin Streets, Chapel Hill. Through June 28 - "ART& Intergalactic Soul. "Project LHAXX"". As its newest temporary, site-specific commission in ART&, the Ackland presents Project LHAXX, a mixed-media experience by Intergalactic Soul. Intergalactic Soul describes the Afrofuturistic collaborative made up of Charlotte-based visual artists Marcus Kiser and Jason Woodberry and Durham-based performance artist Quentin Talley. Their work broadly focuses on presenting contemporary conversations about American black experiences, using the aesthetic and conceptual prisms of popular science fiction and comics to chronicle the various adventures of their fictional protagonists Astro and Pluto. Through Apr. 12 - "Toriawase: A Special Installation of Modern Japanese Art and

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