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will decide which pieces will be wearing ribbons. The Show is both free and handicapped accessible.

In addition to appreciating original art from some of the best artists around, and voting for your favorite piece of art, you may want to take a chance on winning the art of your choice through the Fine Art Drawing. In the afternoons, you may find an artist at work either on the grounds or inside. Most importantly, it is a great opportunity to purchase that special piece from a well-known or emerging artist.

The Wilmington Art Association, going strong since 1971, is an all-volunteer organization dedicated to supporting art and artists in our area.

The Hannah Block Community Arts Center is located at 120 South Second Street in Wilmington, NC. Hours are: Mon.-Wed.,



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10am-5pm; Thur.-Sat., 10am-7pm; & Sun., 10am-4pm.

For further information check our NC Institutional Gallery listings, call Susan Buteau at 864/884-1025 or e-mail to (zazoots@yahoo.com).

## Florence County Museum in Florence, SC, Features Works by Manning Williams

The Florence County Museum in Florence, SC, is presenting the exhibit, *Manning Williams*, featuring works by Charleston native artist Manning Williams (1939 - 2012), on view in the Museum's Special Exhibits Gallery, through Sept. 22, 2019.

Williams began his career as a realist artist. However, in the 1990s, his art took an extraordinary turn as Williams began to incorporate comic book imagery into large, abstract expressionist compositions. This synthesis often utilized a recurrent vocabulary of shapes and symbols to create an elusive narrative exploring personal, historical and political themes.



"Canoeing", by Manning Williams, acrylic on canvas, 2008. On loan from Barbara Williams.

Williams was born in Charleston in 1939. He received his BS from the College of Charleston before doing graduate work at the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts. Williams's work has been exhibited nationally and internationally with solo shows in Charleston, New Orleans, Washington, at the University of Pennsylvania Museum of Archaeology and Art and the Greenville Museum of Art. Group shows including his work were Second Story Show at Piccolo Spoleto in 2002, 100 Years/100 Artists, Views From the 20th Century, at the South Carolina State Museum in 1999-2000, and Old South, New South at Winthrop College in 1995. In 2004, Williams and Linda Fantuzzo had a duo show at the Gibbes Museum of Art. In 2008, Williams had a



"The Last Parking Place on Broadway," by Manning Williams, acrylic on canvas, 2006. On loan from Barbara Williams.

solo show at the old Florence Museum.

Williams has received a SC Arts Commission Fellowship. His most known commissions are displayed at the Charleston Airport and the East Cooper Hospital. His poster for the *New Figurative Painting* exhibition is included in *Fairfield Porter: A catalogue raisonné of his prints*. Williams produced the book jacket and illustrations for "Poems from the Scorched Earth" by James Everett Kibler (2001).

William's work has been the subject of reviews and feature stories, and included in the video "Charleston Art Now." His work hangs in public and corporate collections, among them the SC Arts Commission, R.J. Reynolds Corporation, Citizens and Southern National Bank, Post & Courier Publishing Company, Kiawah Resort Association, Greenville County Museum, South Carolina State Museum, the Gibbes Museum of Art and the Telfair Museum. He passed away in 2012.

Williams is represented in Charleston at Corrigan Gallery LLC, located on Broad Street.

For further information check our SC Institutional Gallery listings, call the Museum at 843/676-1200 or visit (www.flocomuseum.org).

## Waccamaw Arts and Crafts Guild in Myrtle Beach, SC, Offers 47th Art in the Park Art Show

Waccamaw Arts and Crafts Guild in Myrtle Beach, SC, will present the 47th Art in the Park, at Valor Park, located at the Market Common, at 1120 Farrow Parkway (the old Air Force Base), Apr. 27 & 28, 2019. The outdoor event will be open on Sat., Apr. 27 and Sun., Apr. 28, from 10am-4pm.

The event features works by over 50

artists from the East Coast and as far away as Tennessee with about 15 of those artists from our local area.

Typical art will include paintings, woodworking, photography, jewelry, fabric, glass, metal, pottery and stone.

There is no admission charge and the event is child and pet friendly.

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Art in the Park (AITP) is the Grand Strand's premier outdoor show and sale, hosted by the oldest art guild in the area, Waccamaw Arts & Crafts Guild (est. 1969). Since 1972, Art in the Park has hosted artists from all over the country working in a variety of mediums. Artists are required to submit original works or reproductions of their original works. The extraordinary success of AITP relates directly to the high quality of the art and fine art crafts that are juried into these shows. Art in the Park, Myrtle Beach, SC is a preferred destination for artists and art lovers. There is something for everyone at Art in the Park.

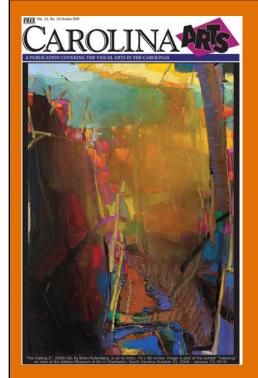
The Waccamaw Arts and Crafts Guild is a non-profit, state chartered organization founded in 1969 by sixteen local artisans who wished to encourage and promote arts and crafts in the community. A Board of Directors oversees the operations of the Guild. Membership is open to professionals, non-professionals, artist, crafters, students and others who are interested in the arts. Individual, family and student members are



available. We encourage you to join and become a part of making the Arts an integral part of life on the Grand Strand. Two annual exhibits are presented each year: the Juried Show at the Art Museum of Myrtle Beach each May and a Members' Show at the Seacoast Artist Gallery each October.

Other events planned for the 47th Art in the Park year include: Oct. 12 & 13 and Nov. 9 and 10, at Valor Park, and June 29 & 30, at Chapin Park, in downtown Myrtle Beach.

For further information check our SC Institutional Gallery listings, call JoAnne Utterback at 843/446-3830 or visit (www.artsyparksy.com).



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