

NC Institutional Galleries

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North Wilkesboro - Wilkesboro

Wilkes Art Gallery, 913 C Street, old Post Office, North Wilkesboro. **Through May 24** - "35th Annual Northwest Artist's League Juried Competition and Exhibition," juried by Raney Rogers. Hours: Tue.-Fri., 10am-5pm & Sat., 10am-2pm. Contact: 336/667-2841 or at (www.wilkesartgallery.org).

Old Fort



Arrowhead Artists and Artisans League Inc., 78 Catawba Avenue, Suite C-D, next to the parker hosiery building, 2 minutes from Exit 73 on Interstate I-40, Old Fort. **Ongoing** - The main Gallery space is about 1800 square feet, with an open, industrial feel. Art, ranging from traditional to abstract and mixed media, hangs on the walls. On the main floor are displays of various types of fine crafts, such as jewelry, pottery, fiber art, hand crafted baskets, and hand turned wooden bowls. You might even see a welded "junk yard" critter or two. After viewing all of the various arts and crafts, visitors can walk through a wide archway on the right to view more fine art and craft work and talk to the artists and students in several studios and the AGS classroom. If a studio door is open, visitors are being invited to step inside and enjoy the work. Currently, our Gallery and studio artists and artisans include: Lorelle Bacon, Ann Whisenaut, Karen Piquette, David Kaylor, Dawn Driebus, Len Eskew, Wayne Stroud, Susan Taylor, Cathy Green, Anne Bevan, John Sullivan, Evelyn Chrisawn, Tim Muench, Chuck Aldridge, Charles Davis, Fredreen Bernatovicz, Anne Allison, Darlene Matzer, Billie Haney, Marguerite Welty, Jean Ryan, Kasha Baxter, Linda Magnus, Kim Hostetter, Bonnie Burgin, Sonya Russell, Helen Sullivan, Janet Bennett, and Sabrina Miller. Hours: Thur.-Sat., 11am-5pm & Sun., 1-4pm. Contact: 828/668-1100 or at (<http://arrowhead-art.org>).

Penland

Penland Gallery, first building on right as you enter the campus, Penland School of Crafts, Penland Road, Penland. **Through May 11** - "Eleanor Annand: Paintings & Drawings". **May 23 - June 22** - "Joseph Pintz: Ceramics". **Ongoing** - Featuring works by Penland Instructors and affiliated artists. Hours: Tue.-Sat., 10am-5pm & Sun., noon-5pm. Contact: call Kathryn Gremley, at 828/765-6211 or at (www.penland.org).

Raleigh

Artspace, 201 E. Davie Street, Moore Square Art District, behind City Market, Raleigh. **Gallery 2, Through May 31** - "Redefining Ritual at Artspace". This exhibition brings together work by artists Courtney McCracken and Tracy Spencer-Stonestreet, women whose innovative voices both take on the traditions of Southern culture. Hours: Mon.-Sat., 9am-5pm. Contact: 919/821-2787 or at (www.artspacenc.org).

CAM Raleigh, 409 W. Martin Street, between Harrington and West streets, Raleigh. **Main Gallery, May 15 - Aug. 31** - "Bull City Summer". The exhibition, inspired by the 25th anniversary of the movie Bull Durham, documents the 2013 season at the Durham Bulls Athletic Park, home of the most popular and legendary minor league baseball team in America. Ten nationally and internationally acclaimed artists—photographers Alec Soth, Hank Willis Thomas, Hiroshi Watanabe, Alex Harris, Frank Hunter, Kate Joyce, Elizabeth Matheson, Leah Sobsey, and Jeff Whetstone, and video artist Ivan Weiss—converged on the stadium for all 72 home games. Hours: Mon., 11am-6:30pm; Wed.-Fri., 11am-6:30pm; Sat. & Sun., noon-5pm; and 1st & 3rd Fri., open till 9pm. Contact: 919/513-0946 or at (<http://camraleigh.org/>).

Collective Arts Gallery & Ceramic Supply, 8801 Leadmine Road, Suite 103, Raleigh. **Ongoing** - Featuring works by local and nationally renowned artists on permanent exhibit. Hours: Tue.-Fri. 11am-7pm & Sat., 10am-6pm. Contact: 919/844-0765.

Historic Chancellor's Residence, NCSU, 1903 Hillsborough Street, the future site of the Gregg Museum, Raleigh. **Through May 23** - "Remnants of the Floating World: Japanese Art from the Permanent Collection". The exhibit includes kimonos, textiles, ceramics, and 19th century woodblock images from feudal Japan's pleasure and entertainment districts. The exhibit draws upon the treasures of the Gregg's permanent collection to explore a world of courtesans in elegant kimonos, warrior-heroes on military ventures, sinister ghosts and witches, theatrical performances and scenes of leisure. Hours: by appt. Mon.-Fri., 9am-5pm. Contact: Zoe Staring, Curator of Education at 919/513-7244.

Miriam Preston Block Gallery, Raleigh Municipal Building, lobby of the Avery C. Upchurch Government Complex, presented by the City of Raleigh Arts Commission, 222 West Hargett Street, Raleigh. **Through June 26** - "CONSTRUCTS". The exhibit marks the second in the Block Gallery's 30th season. Artists Sarah West and Ryan Cummings explore the complexities of memory, dreams and human experience through mixed media applications and the use of found photographs. West, recipient of the 2012/2013 NC Arts Council fellowship, applies her intricate metalworking skills to create three-dimensional geometric forms laced with transparent photographs and mounted to wood panels in her Memorial Objects series. Ryan Cummings combines the old-world secco technique with collaged photographs, resulting in highly detailed narrative landscapes evocative of 19th-century American traditions. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 8:30am-5:15pm. Contact: 919/996-3610 or at (<http://www.raleighnc.gov/parks/content/Arts/Articles/Block-Gallery.html>).



Work by April Flanders

Nature Art Gallery, inside the Museum Store, North Carolina Museum of Natural Sciences, 11 W. Jones Street, downtown Raleigh. **May 2 - 26** - "Beyond their Borders," featuring an exhibit of works by April Flanders. A reception will be held on May 2, from 6-8pm. Flanders teaches full time at Appalachian State University in Boone, having taught printmaking for 13 years at various universities both nationally and internationally. Her current work addresses the issue of native versus invasive animal and botanical species and highlights a variety of media including printmaking, painting, drawing and installation. Admission: Free. Gallery Hours: Mon.-Sat., 9am-4:45pm & Sun., noon-4:45pm. Store Contact: 919/733-7450, ext. 360 or at (www.naturalsciences.org/store/nature_gallery.html).

North Carolina Museum of Art, 2110 Blue Ridge Road, Raleigh. **East Building, Level B, Meymandi Exhibition Gallery, Through July 27** - "Estampas de la raza/Prints for the People: The Romo Collection," featuring a series of 61 bold, colorful prints that chronicle the unique heritage, history, and experience of contemporary Mexican American and Latino artists. Estampas (Spanish for prints) de la raza (the race or the people, often referring to Mexican and US heritage) is the first comprehensive examination of contemporary Mexican American and Latino prints and their place in the context of American art and the history of printmaking. Ranging in date from 1984 to 2011, the works in Estampas de la raza explore social, political, and economic issues, as well as issues of identity and race often faced by Mexican American and Latino artists. **East Building, Gallery 2, Through July 27** - "Tall Tales and Huge Hearts: Raúl Colón". Colón, who was raised in Puerto Rico and now lives in New York City, has illustrated over 30 children's books featuring thrilling legends and heartwarming stories from many cultures, among them "Doña Flor", "Tomás and the Library Lady", and Jill Biden's book "Don't Forget, God Bless Our Troops". Colón's watercolor, pencil, and etched works dazzle with their charm, depth, and bright color. Since beginning his artistic career in the 1980s, Colón has received numerous honors, including the Pura Belpré Award, which honors a Latino/Latina writer or illustrator whose work best celebrates the Latino cultural experience in a work of children's literature. **East Building, Level A, Through Aug. 31** - "Bull City Summer," inspired by the 25th anniversary of the movie

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North Carolina Museum of History, 5 East Edenton Street, (between Salisbury and Wilmington Streets), Raleigh. **Museum Lobby, Through Aug. 3** - "Formed, Fired and Finished: Art Pottery from the James-Farmer Collection," featuring more than 70 items by North Carolina potters. In the early 1900s, Tar Heel potters began transitioning to art pottery after cheaper, mass-produced containers replaced the demand for utilitarian pottery. They used innovative colorful glazes and reinterpreted traditional shapes to transform their vessels into decorative items to sell. The potters' financial survival, the crafts revival movement, increased tourism, and outside cultural influences motivated North Carolinians to adapt. **Ongoing** - Featuring exhibits dealing with North Carolina's history as a theme. Admission: Free. Hours: Mon.-Sat., 9am-5pm & Sun., noon-5pm. Contact: 919/807-7900 or at (<http://www.ncmuseumofhistory.org/>).

The Crafts Center at NC State University, first floor of Thompson Hall, Jensen Drive, NC State University, Raleigh. **R.A. Bryan Foundation Gallery, Through June 7** - "The Trend of Life in the Foreign Land," featuring an exhibition of portraits and landscapes by College of Design graduate Zahra Zamani. Hours: Mon., Wed., & Fri., 2-10pm; Tue. & Thur., 10am-10pm; and Sat. & Sun., 12:30-5pm. Contact: 919/515-2457 or at (<http://www.ncsu.edu/crafts/index.html>).

The WONC Gallery, Woodworkers of North Carolina, 3141 Capital Boulevard #110, inside the Klingspor Woodworking Store, Raleigh. **Ongoing** - North Carolina has a rich history in woodworking. WONC strives to keep this tradition alive by bringing together all of the different styles and forms of woodworking together and sharing them with everyone. Workshops are held to teach, share and inspire. Our parents taught us the value of fine craftsmanship. It is our goal to see that this tradition continues by sharing the joys of woodworking to all. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 9am-6pm; Sat., 9am-5pm; & Sun. 1-5pm. Contact: 919/876-0707 or at (www.woncgallery.org).

Visual Art Exchange Association Gallery, 325 Blake Street, Moore Square Art District, Raleigh. **May 2 - 29** - "Latitude / Longitude". A reception will be held on May 2, from 6-9pm. The idea of mapping is constantly changing, this exhibit will showcase art using maps in new and innovative ways. Explore the emerging technologies, play with printed maps in new ways, or look at the concept of mapping in a contemporary way. Hours: Tues.-Sat., 11am-4pm. Contact: 919/828-7834 or at (<http://www.visualartexchange.org/>).

Rutherfordton

Rutherford County Visual Arts Center & Gallery, 160 N. Main Street, at the intersection of W. Court St., Rutherfordton. **Ongoing** - Offering a changing exhibit of 2D and 3D art including oils, watercolor, scratchboard, calligraphy, fiber, wood, glass, pottery and fine craft by local artists/fine crafters. Hours: Tue.-Sat., 10am-3pm. Contact: 828/288-5009 or at (www.rcvartg.com).

ALTERNATE ART SPACES - Rutherfordton **Norris Public Library**, 132 N. Main Street, Rutherfordton. **Through June 30** - Featuring an exhibit of vibrant landscape paintings, drawings and illustrations by Nancy Winker, part of "Art in the Library" series. The show is sponsored by the Rutherford County Visual Artist Guild in cooperation with the Norris Public Library. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 9am-5:30pm & Sat., 10am-noon. Contact: Library at 828/287-4981 or Rutherford County Visual Arts Center at 828/288-5009 or e-mail to (rcvartg@gmail.com).

Salisbury/Spencer

Throughout Salisbury & Spencer, May 10, from 1-5pm - "Second Saturday Art Crawl," where more than 20 professional artists, studios and galleries offer visitors new art, special events, and activities. Spend the day and see great art, talk to artists, hear live music, and dine at local restaurants. Free admission to all events and activities. Maps are available at the Visitor Center in Salisbury and at all participating venues. Free parking available in all locations. For more info call 704/638-9887 or visit (www.rowanartcrawl.com).

Waterworks Visual Arts Center, 123 E. Liberty St., Salisbury. **Through May 17** - "Relationships: Art of the Human Condition and its Effects on the Environment," featuring exhibits by Ken Hoffman, Brian Mashburn, and Kevin Palme. Three artists use dreamlike images to investigate the relationship of the human condition and its effects on the environment. Each work expresses the subject in the context of human values, contemporary culture, and events of a specific space, both physical and psychological. The exhibition takes a fresh look at conventional representations of nature to push boundaries and offer interesting ways to evoke emotional responses. The art may seem whimsical, colorful, or challenging, yet each elicits contemplation and empathy toward the artist's view. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 10am-5pm; Thur. till 7pm & Sat., 11am-3pm. Contact: 704/636-1882 or at (www.waterworks.org).

Seagrove Area

Throughout North Carolina Pottery County, Seagrove area, May 10, from 11am-5pm - "2014 Behind The Scenes Pottery Crawl," sponsored and to benefit the Northern Moore Family Resource Center. Enjoy an afternoon touring the beautiful countryside of northern Moore County, while visiting 12 of Seagrove's finest potteries. Meet the potters and watch as they demonstrate different aspects of the craft - from shaping at the wheel, to glazing, to firing, to decorative techniques. Enjoy delicious culinary treats and wine pairings at each studio, including beef tenderloin on French bread with herb butter, pulled pork sliders, spinach and basil pesto cheese loaf, mini crab cakes with remoulade sauce, assorted cheeses and vegetable crudite platter, chocolate dipped strawberries, dark chocolate brownies, and more. On the day of the event, a raffle drawing for handcrafted pieces by each of the twelve potters will take place. Individual tickets are \$35 and Patron tickets are \$100 (includes commemorative pottery piece). Check in Locations: Northern Moore Family Resource Center, 125 E. Salisbury Street, Robbins, NC, or North Carolina Pottery Center, 223 East Avenue, Seagrove, NC. For further info call us at 910/948-4324 if you have any questions, or visit our website at (www.nmfc.com).

Museum of North Carolina Traditional Pottery, 122 E. Main St., Seagrove. **Ongoing** - The Museum organization was founded twenty-five years ago in Seagrove, and is dedicated to preserving and perpetuating the pottery tradition. We strive to impart to new generations the history of traditional pottery and an appreciation for its simple and elegant beauty. A display of area pottery is now offered in the old Seagrove grocery building. Hours: Mon.-Sat., 9:30am-3:30pm. Contact: 336/873-7887 or at (www.seagrovepotteryheritage.com).



Works by Neolia Cole Womack

North Carolina Pottery Center, 233 East Avenue, Seagrove. **May 10 - July 26** - "Neolia, Keeper of the Cole Tradition: A Retrospective". A reception will be held on May 10, from noon-2pm. This exhibition will explore the extraordinary range of forms and richly colored glazes produced by the Sanford Coles over

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