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art is heavily influenced by traditional neon sign making. Drattlo believes strongly in preserving the craft of neon while pushing the boundaries of the advertisement medium. You can find her work in person at Cat Eye Creative in Atlanta, GA, and Art on 12 Gallery in Wimberly, TX. She was a 2021 Emerging Artist in Residence at Artspace. Gallery 1, Through June 25 - "Maroon Maroon," curated by Duane Cyrus. The exhibit will feature the work of five national and international photographers, Ajamu, Kelly Ann Bobb, Duane Cyrus, Devin Newkirk, and Cameron Ugbodu. This curated show organized by choreographer Duane Cyrus will include projections, as well as framed and unframed photographic prints, exploring the complexity and beauty of the black male body. The exhibition will also include site specific performances and additional installation elements that create a physical connection between visitors to the space and the work on view. Gallery 2, Through June 4 - "Act V: Myth is to History as History is to Myth Shawn Campbell". The American Cowboy is more of a Myth than a man who herds cattle, it is an illusion of a set of ideas that are presented to the world as a way to strive. These ideas include, but are not limited to: being honest, hard working, be a gentleman, be tough, and be short and to the point. The cowboy, like the American dream, is something that has been assembled to present to the masses as a way they should forge themselves to become something better. The construction of the American cowboy is based on fact and fiction, it is always changing and repositioning itself with the passing of time. The Myth of the American Cowboy has had the ability to embed itself on a global scale, muddying the waters of what is glorified and what was fact. Campbell's work builds upon these aspects presenting information to viewers in a way that allows for a personal discovery into the world of the mythos of the American Cowboy. Hours: Mon.-Sat., 9am-5pm. Contact: 919/821-2787 or at (www.artspacenc.org).

Block Gallery (inside Raleigh Municipal Building), 222 W. Hargett St., Raleigh. Through May 19 - "16th City of Raleigh Employee Exhibition". The National Arts Program and Raleigh Arts have partnered for the sixteenth year to create an exhibit that celebrates the artistic expression of employees and their families. Every year, the National Arts Program partners with more than 80+ venues in 37 states to create workplace exhibitions where employees' and their families' artistic expression is recognized. Competing within five categories, participants in the National Arts Program Exhibition at Block Gallery complete original works of art. The exhibited artworks are judged by a jury of professional artists and administrators who select the awardees in each of the following categories: Professional, Intermediate, Amateur, Teen (13-18), and Youth (12 & under). In addition, a Best of Show award and a Continuing Art Education scholarship award will be presented. Every artist will receive a certificate of participation. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 8:30am-5-:15pm. Contact: Stacy Bloom Rexrode, Curator of Exhibitions and Collections, Raleigh Arts, call 919/996-4687 or at (https://raleighnc.gov/arts/ block-gallery).



"Chelsea Girl" by Beverly McIver

CAM Raleigh, 409 W. Martin Street, between Harrington and West streets, Raleigh. Main Gallery, Through Sept. 10 - "Beverly McIver: Screaming Out Loud". Beverly McIver is an artist who lays her soul bare in her paintings. She allows the viewer to enter her lived experience as a Black, female artist growing up in the raciallycharged 1960s and 70s in North Carolina. Her willingness to make herself vulnerable simultaneously enlightens us and compels our introspection. Lower Gallery, Through Sept. 10 -"Ransome: Portrait of Radcliffe Bailey". Stairway Gallery, Through Sept. 10 - "Isabel Lu: Pomelo". CAM Little Media Gallery, Through Sept. 10 -"Stella Rosalie Rosen: Your Dream Body." Hand drawn animation, Pencil, pen, marker 2023. **CAM Emerging Artist Wall, Through Sept.** 10 - "Aliyah Bonnette: She Realized You Weren't the Sun". Quilt with Oil, Beading, and Appliqué. Admission: Yes. Hours: Mon., 11am-6:30pm;

Wed.-Fri., 11am-6:30pm; Sat. & Sun., noon-5-pm; 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.



Work by Patrizia Ferreira, detail

Diamante Arts & Cultural Center, 5104 Western Blvd., Suite B, Raleigh. Through May 19 -'En Busca Del Paraíso Perdido (In Search of the Lost Paradise)" a solo exhibition by Patrizia Ferreir. La artista-en-Residencia, Patrizia Ferreira, exhibirá su más reciente trabajo realizado durante su estadía en Diamante. Esta instalación es la culminación de tres meses de trabajo centrado en las ideas de la pérdida del medio ambiente, nuestra relación con la tierra y la ironía detrás de los materiales utilizados para hacer su trabajo. Ferreira teje historias y realidades presentes en un tejido, hecho de materiales desechados. produciendo un trabajo que es a la vez alarmante y hermoso. Latina Artist-in-Residence, Patrizia Ferreira, will be exhibiting her newest body of work made during her time at the Diamante Arts & Cultural Center. This installation is the culmination of three months of focused work around the ideas of the loss of environment, our relationship to our land and the irony behind the materials used to make her work. Ferreira weaves histories and present realities into a textile, made from discarded materials, producing work that is both alarming and beautiful. **Ongoing -** The Diamante Arts & Cultural Center is a non-profit (501c3), a community grounded, arts and culture organization dedicated to the preservation, development, and promotion of the culture, heritage, and artistic expressions of the diverse Latino/Hispanic population in North Carolina. Diamante Arts and Cultural Center, the oldest Latino/Hispanic Arts and Culture organization in North Carolina, is celebrating 25 years of service. Through its programs and activities, it reaches more than 16,000 people per year. Recently, Diamante launched the Latino Artists Database, which collects information on Latino/x, and Hispanic artists in North Carolina. The information will be used to build and share opportunities for Latino artists throughout the state. Latino artists may add their information by visiting (bit.ly/Diamante-database) Hours: Tue.-Fri., 11am-5pm. Contact: 919/852-0075 or at (www.diamanteacc.org).

Frankie G. Weems Art Gallery, Gaddy-Hamrick Art Center, Meredith College, 3800 Hillsborough Street, Raleigh. Through May 4 - "Transfiguration," featuring works by Saba Ahmed, Caitlin Allen, Isabel Ruiz, Dora Former, Olivia Steen, Bridget Utley, and Mickey Wagner. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 9am-5pm & Sat.-Sun., 2-5pm. Contact: 919/760-8600 or at (https://www.meredith.edu/gallery).



Square collage by Aldwyth. Dark green border around a square collage. Inside the border is a black square with an off-white circle in the center. Various cut out images and words are scattered on the paper. A woman in profile faces left. A picture of an ant covers her nose. Inhaling the Spore, 2015. Collage, 12 1/2 x 12 3/4", Collection of Steve and Cheryl Keller.

Gregg Museum of Art & Design, The Historic Chancellor's Residence, NC State University, located at 1903 Hillsborough Street, Raleigh. Black/Sanderson Gallery, Through July 23 - "True Likeness," presents an exhibition of contemporary portraits from diverse makers in a variety of media including video, photography, painting, collage, installation, sculpture, printmaking, and drawing. Artists, some familiar, others more on the fringe of the art world, hail from all over

the United States. Their own identities, and those presented through their works, provide a snapshot of who we are as a country. As the exhibition took shape over the last few years, as overt and coded hate speech became congruent with one of the most divisive elections of our time, it became apparent that highlighting and celebrating diversity was paramount. Adams and Woodson Galleries, Through Oct. 7 - "This is Not: Aldwyth in Retrospect," curated by Mark Sloan. Now in her mid-eighties, the artist Aldwyth has lived and worked alone in an octagonal house overlooking a salt marsh on one of South Carolina's sea islands since 1980. For most of her adult life she has maintained her seclusion from the larger art world while utilizing the history of art and ideas as a catalyst for complex found-object sculptures and increasingly epic-scaled collages that often recall medieval manuscripts writ large. This retrospective spans nearly seventy years of Aldwyth's work, beginning with photography and moving through experimental painting, assemblage, and collage while touching on personal themes and fascinations that have remained remarkably consistent throughout her career. A tireless innovator, Aldwyth's self-imposed rules both limited and liberated her, allowing her work to be selfcontained and self-referential. Each piece is an illustration of the description that defines it, and vice-versa. Historic Residence, Ongoing - One of NC State University's most historic buildings is now the permanent home of the Gregg Museum of Art & Design. The Historic Chancellor's Residence, located at 1903 Hillsborough Street. along with a 15,000 sq. ft. addition, increases the museum's visibility while significantly adding to its exhibition and programming space. Hours: Tue.-Sat., 10am-5pm. The Gregg does ask that larger groups (15+) call ahead at (919) 515-3503 to avoid crowding in the galleries. Contact: Zoe Starling, Curator of Education at 919/513-7244 or at (https://gregg.arts.ncsu.edu/).



Michael Richards "Tar Baby vs. St. Sebastian", 1999 Photograph by Oriol Tarridas Photograph courtesy of the Museum of Contemporary Art, North Miami and The Michael Richards Estate. All Artworks are © The Michael Richards Estate

North Carolina Museum of Art, 2110 Blue Ridge Road, Raleigh. Through July 23 - "Michael Richards: Are You Down?" Richards's visionary sculptures and drawings, created between 1990 and 2001, engage Blackness, flight, diaspora, spirituality, police brutality, and monuments in his largest retrospective to date. "Michael Richards: Are You Down?" takes its name from one of the last artworks the artist created. In his sculptures and installations, Richards gestures toward both repression and reprieve from social injustices and the simultaneous possibilities of uplift and downfall, often in the context of the historic and ongoing oppression of Black people. Flight and aviation were central themes for Richards as an exploration of freedom and escape, ascendance and descent. These themes are especially evident in Richards's engagement with the legacy of the Tuskegee Airmen, including his well-known sculpture "Tar Baby vs. St. Sebastian" (1999)—a version of which has been on continuous display at the NCMA since 2003. Through Aug. 6 - "Ruth E. Carter: Afrofuturism In Costume Design." Academy Award-winning costume designer Ruth E. Carter has defined generations through her work in film and TV. Her art adds dimensionality, flair, and culture to the characters she envisions, giving power to the incredible actors who wear her designs. Her vibrancy and attention to detail in costuming is integral to translating stories of race, politics, and culture to the big screen. From humble roots in Massachusetts. Carter has helped style the Afrofuturism movement for almost 40 years. Creating pieces for films such as "Black Panther", "Malcom X", "Selma", and "Do the Right Thing", Carter has designed costumes for legends like Oprah Winfrey, Denzel Washington, Chadwick Boseman, Eddie Murphy, Angela Bassett, and Forest Whitaker. Ongoing - "Break the Mold: New Takes on Traditional Art Making". The exhibit showcases contemporary artists who use traditional modes

of art making and crafting to tackle timely subject matter. Innovative takes on embroidery, ceramics, quilting, furniture, interior design, and fashion accessories serve to explore diverse topics such as gender assumptions and inequalities, prison reform, racial justice, memory, and loss, as well as how objects transmit and transform social and cultural history. This show features 25 contemporary artists, including Sanford Biggers, Elizabeth Brim, Maria Britton, Julie Cockburn, Rodney Mc-Millan, Rachel Meginnes, Katy Mixon, Gabriel de la Mora, Yasumasa Morimura, Thomas Schmidt, Shinique Smith, and Do Ho Suh, whose artworks are displayed alongside some of their historical predecessors. Ongoing - Featuring 10 additional sculptures by the celebrated French artist Rodin on loan from Iris Cantor's private collection. Ongoing - "John James Audubon's The Birds of America". The state has owned this treasured volume since 1848, but it has never been exhibited. Ongoing - The North Carolina Museum of Art has an outstanding permanent collection of more than 5,000 objects spanning antiquity to the present day. On the occasion of the expansion, the Museum has acquired more than 100 new works of art. Representing commissions, gifts, and purchases, the new works encompass important and diverse examples of historic and contemporary art from around the world, and will be installed in the Museum's new building and the surrounding landscape. Highlights include a gift of 28 sculptures by Auguste Rodin, and work by such internationally acclaimed artists as Roxy Paine, Ursula von Rydingsvard, El Anatsui, Jaume Plensa, Jackie Ferrara, Ellsworth Kelly, and David Park, among others. Admission: Yes for some exhibits. Hours: Tue.-Sat.. 9am-5pm; Sun., 10am-5pm; & open until 9pm on Fri. Contact: 919/839-6262 or at (www.ncartmuseum.

Rotunda Gallery, Johnson Hall, Merideth College, 3800 Hillsborough Street, Raleigh. Johnson Hall Rotunda, Through Sept. 14 - "40th Annual Student Art Exhibition," juried by Jean Gray Mohs. The Annual Juried Student Art Exhibition gives students an incredible opportunity to experience having their art professionally juried and offers recognition along with cash prizes. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 9am-5pm & Sat.-Sun., 2-5pm. Contact: 919/829-8465.

Sertoma Arts Center, 1400 Millbrook Road, located in the heart of Shelley Lake Park, Raleigh. Ongoing - Sertoma Arts Center is a fun, creative destination for all ages, offering classes and workshops in painting, drawing, photography, pottery, performing arts, printmaking, jewelry, fibers studio, fitness, and more, along with exhibitions, studio spaces, group support, and community outreach. Sertoma's outreach partners include the North Carolina Arts Council and Wake County Public School System. It is part of a learning community of 11 arts organizations that collaborate to advocate for and improve access to the arts for people with disabilities. This collective is funded in part by the City of Raleigh Arts Commission and the United Arts Council of Raleigh and Wake County. Hours: Mon.-Thur., 9am-10pm; Fri., 9am-1pm; Sat., 10am-5pm; & Sun., noon-5pm. Contact: 919/996-2329 or email to (sertomaartscenter@raleighnc.gov).

ALTERNATE ART SPACES - Raleigh Duke Energy Center for the Performing Arts, 2 East South Street, Raleigh. Ongoing - The Betty Ray McCain Gallery is nestled within the Duke Energy Center for the Performing Arts, and is the proud home of the North Carolina Artists Exhibition, a collection of work by state artists, selected each year by respected local museum and gallery directors from hundreds of submissions. For info contact Susan Garrity by e-mail at (artistsexhibition@gmail.com). Hours: during performances or call. Contact: call 919/831-6060 for hours and directions.

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 (http://www.rcvag.com/).

Salisbury/Spencer

Waterworks Visual Arts Center, 123 E. Liberty St., in the East Square Arts District, located one block East of Main Street, across from the Salisbury Police Station, Salisbury. Through May 26 - "All Things Great and Small," featuring three inch to thirty-six inch paintings, sculptures and mixed media works by nine nationally and internationally-acclaimed artists. The Salisbury Rowan Community Foundation in partnership with Waterworks Visual Arts Center present "Women Artists Masters: Artists Painting Stories," featuring the work of five female artists: Maria Bennett Hock, Denise Horne-Kaplan, Debra Keirce, Brenda Morgan, and Carrie Waller, also

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