

# SC Institutional Galleries

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a part of Blue Star Museums, active military and their families are invited to enjoy free general admission to the South Carolina State Museum from Armed Forces Day, through Labor Day, Sept. 2, 2024. For a list of participating museums, visit ([arts.gov/bluestarmuseums](https://arts.gov/bluestarmuseums)). Hours: Mon.-Sat., from 10am-5pm and Sun., from noon-5pm. Admission: Yes. Contact: call 803/898-4921 or at (<http://scmuseum.org/>).

**ALTERNATE ART SPACES - Columbia area**  
**Columbia Metropolitan Convention Center**, 1101 Lincoln St., Columbia. **Ongoing** - Featuring works by local artists throughout the convention center, including works by Mike Williams, Liisa Salosaari Jasinski, Tyrone Geter, Peter Lenzo, Jamie Davis, Tom Lockart & Mark Woodham, Angela Bradburn, Virginia Scotchie, Denise Dent, Sue Grier, Brian Rego, Heather LaHaise, Howard Hunt, Robert Campbell, Ernest Lee, David J.P. Hooker, Ralph Waldrop, Elena Madden, Debbie Martin, Blue Sky, Laura Spong, Jean McWhorter, Claire Farrell, Justin Guy, and Jonathan Green. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 9am-5pm; Sat., 10am-4pm & Sun., 1-5pm. Contact: 803/545-01181.

**Harbison Theatre at Midlands Technical College**, 7300 College Street, Irmo. **Through May 31** - Featuring works by Jeffrey Miller. **Ongoing** - These exhibits are part of the Jasper Project. Hours: during performances at the theatre. Contact: 803/407-5011.

**Land Bank Lofts Gallery**, Federal Land Bank Building, 1401 Hampton Street, Columbia. **Ongoing** - Land Bank Lofts Gallery is growing as a large-scale center for exhibiting home-grown original art. In 2016, the South Carolina Artists group set out to create a gallery in the historic building constructed in 1924. Home to the famous "Tunnel Vision" & "Haystacks" murals, the as it was originally known has been completely transformed into a modern masterpiece for today's lifestyle. Hours: call for hours. Contact: call 803/828-7790 or South Carolina Artists by calling 803/602-4814 or at (<http://www.southcarolinaartists.com>).

**Sidewalk Gallery at The Meridan Building**, 1320 Street, Columbia. **Through June** - Featuring works by Mark Dreher, Vanessa DeVore, and Sharon Licata. **Ongoing** - The gallery at the Meridian Building displays art within the lobby and features art in block-length window displays so patrons can peruse local art while walking downtown. These exhibits are part of the Jasper Project. Art of any medium is permitted, and most artists show 3-5 pieces, though more is allowed, with up to 22 being previously included; art cannot exceed \$2,500. Several individual artists are featured simultaneously in this space with three months being the average display period for each. Art within the building can be accessed during office hours, and pieces in the window can be viewed 24/7. Hours: The windows are open 24/7 with lighting in the evenings, the Main Street lobby is open 8am-6pm Mon.-Fri., closed to the public on weekends but can be accessed by appt. Contact: e-mail to ([jaspergalleries@gmail.com](mailto:jaspergalleries@gmail.com)).

## Conway

**Horry County Museum**, 805 Main St, Conway. **Ongoing** - To collect and preserve material related to the prehistory, natural history, history and culture of Horry County; to interpret and to create exhibits of such materials and to prepare educational programs related to them for presentation to the public, particularly the citizens of Horry County, South Carolina, and to operate a facility for this purpose. Hours: Tue.-Sat., 9am-5pm. Contact: 843/915-5320 or at ([www.horrycountymuseum.org](http://www.horrycountymuseum.org)).

## Due West

**Bowie Arts Center**, Bonner St., Erskine College, Due West. **Ongoing** - "Redemption Exhibit", "Woman: Image Bearer" and "Edgefield Pottery Exhibit". Summer Hours: by appt. only. Contact: 864/379-8867.

## Elloree

**Elloree Heritage Museum and Cultural Museum**, 2714 Cleveland Street, Elloree. **Ongoing** - Stroll Cleveland Street as it appeared in 1900 and delight in the recreated stores, bank and hotel; Explore the train station, logging and butchering areas; Visit Snider Cabin, birthplace of William J. Snider, founder of Elloree; Learn about tenant farming and meet midwife Mary Ella Jones who was responsible for delivering many Elloree babies; Take a rest in the two-seater outhouse; Explore a plantation gin house with its original gin, cotton press, and mechanicals; Learn how cotton is grown, picked and ginned

today; See the variety of horse-drawn plows, planters and cultivators that farmers used to work their land; Meet Ruby Doo and learn about the history of mules and the vital role they played in southern agriculture; and Visit the upstairs gallery for the latest show featuring work by local and regional South Carolina artists, a baseball exhibit, a postcard exhibit or any of a variety of changing exhibits. Admission: Yes. Hours: Wed.-Sat., 10am-5pm. Contact: 803-897-2225 or at (<http://www.elloreemuseum.org>).

## Florence

**Florence County Museum**, 111 West Cheves Street, across the street from the Francis Marion University Performing Arts Center, Florence. **Through Aug. 19** - "Fighters for Freedom: William. H. Johnson Picturing Justice". The Florence County Museum has partnered with the Smithsonian American Art Museum to bring "Fighters for Freedom: William H. Johnson Picturing Justice". This exhibition marks the first national tour of the magnum opus by William Henry Johnson (Florence, South Carolina). Johnson painted the series in the mid-1940s, creating a pantheon of historic and contemporary leaders who fought for the freedom of individuals worldwide. The exhibition of 25 works showcasing Johnson's later iconographic style is on loan from the Smithsonian American Art Museum and features works rarely exhibited outside our nation's capital. **Special Exhibits Gallery, Through Oct. 19** - "2025 Eastern Carolina Contemporary Biennial," sponsored by Chick-fil-A of Florence. The Florence County Museum is proud to present the "2025 Eastern Carolina Contemporary Biennial," sponsored by Chick-fil-A of Florence. The objective of this project is to elevate the standard of regional contemporary art exhibitions by offering a professionally juried competition composed of the most competitive contemporary art and artists representing Eastern South Carolina. Any person who is a native or resident of the following Eastern SC counties is eligible to enter: Chesterfield, Marlboro, Dillon, Darlington, Lee, Florence, Marion, Horry, Sumter, Clarendon, Williamsburg, Georgetown, Calhoun, Orangeburg, Dorchester, Berkeley, Aiken, Barnwell, Allendale, Hampton, Bamberg, Colleton, Hampton, Jasper, Beaufort, and Charleston. The 1st place award receives \$2,500. The 2nd place award receives \$1,750. The 3rd place award receives \$1,000. Honorable Mention receives \$500. **Educational Gallery, T - "****Community Gallery, Ongoing** - This exhibit introduces visitors to the history of the museum and its formative collections. This gallery also exhibits the histories and diversity of the City of Florence, and the incorporated municipalities of Florence County. Additionally, the Community Gallery communicates the lives, stories and accomplishments of significant past and present citizens of Florence County and members of it's communities. This gallery is one of two permanent exhibit spaces designed by award winning exhibit design firm, HaleySharpe Design. **Pee Dee History Gallery, Ongoing** - This is the largest gallery space in the facility, comprising 3,300 sq. ft. of exhibit space. This permanent collections gallery occupies the entire second floor, east wing of the building. Artifacts are supported by historical images and narrative interpretation, giving a comprehensive introduction to the Pee Dee region from prehistory to the present. This gallery is one of two permanent exhibit spaces designed by award winning exhibit design firm, HaleySharpe Design. Admission: Free. Hours: Tue.-Sat., 10am-5pm & Sun. 2-5pm. Contact: 843/676-1200 or visit ([www.flocomuseum.org](http://www.flocomuseum.org)).



Work by John W. Jones

**Steven F. Gately Gallery**, Francis Marion University, 142 North Dargan Street, Florence. **Through May 15** - "'Payne-ful" Business: Charleston's Journey to Truth". Margaret Seidler is a retired Organization & Leadership Margaret Seidler is a retired Organization & Leadership Development consultant, national conference speaker, and author. John W. Jones is an African American artist who first gained national acclaim for his book and painting series, Confederate Currency: The Color of Money. Self-taught and drafted into the U.S. Army in 1970, he served in Vietnam, eventually becoming an Army illustrator. **Ongoing** - The Steven F. Gately Gallery is a visual arts gallery located on the first floor of

Francis Marion University's charmingly renovated University Place building on N. Dargan Street, Florence, SC. The gallery hosts rotating exhibitions from a variety of artists. Named for the late Steven F. Gately, a long time art professor at Francis Marion University. The Gately Gallery is an extension of Francis Marion University. The gallery's mission is to provide the community with a venue to experience a wide range of culturally diverse regional, national, and international visual artwork from emerging and established artists. Hours: Tue.-Wed., noon-6pm; Thur.-Fri., 10am-6pm & 2nd and 4th Sat., 10am-3pm. Contact: 843/661-4637, 843/661-4638 or at (<https://www.fmarion.edu/universityplace/>).

**ALTERNATE ART SPACES - Florence**  
**Doctors Bruce and Lee Foundation Library**, 506 South Dargan Street, 2nd floor of the library, Florence. **Dr. N. Lee Morris Gallery, Through May 16** - "Vignettes Behind Stained Glass Windows," featuring works by Harry McFadden. Harry Arnette McFadden grew up in a rural area affectionately known as White Oak in Williamsburg County. He is a talented artist known for his unique ability to blend traditional techniques with contemporary themes. His work often reflects his experiences and observations of the world around him, capturing the essence of life in vibrant colors and intricate designs. His past shows include an exhibit at James Brown's Visual Soul Festival in Augusta, GA, "Soulsapes" at Francis Marion University, "Celebration" at Black Creeks Arts Council, the Pee Dee Boys and Girls Club as an artist in residence, and most recently, a solo show entitled "The Audacity of Pluto." He is an inaugural artist at the Acline Studios in Lake City, South Carolina. **Ongoing** - Featuring paintings from the Mulholland-Attanasio Permanent Collection. Hours: Mon.-Thur., 9am-6:45pm; Fri., 9am-5:15pm; & Sat., 9am-12:45pm. Contact: 843/413-7060 or at ([www.florenceclibrary.org](http://www.florenceclibrary.org)).

## Fort Mill

**LOOM, Coworking Gallery and Event Space**, 118 & 120 Academy Street, Fort Mill. **Ongoing** - LOOM is a multi-functional facility in the heart of historic downtown Fort Mill that provides: Collaborative coworking spaces for at-home, mobile and remote workers; Learning and networking opportunities for the greater community; and a variety of meeting and special event spaces to benefit your business or group. Gallery hours: Mon.-Fri., 9am-4pm. Contact: 803/548-5666 or at (<http://loomcoworking.com>).

## Gaffney

**Cherokee Alliance of Visual Artists Gallery**, 210 West Frederick Street, located in the former Old Post Office building one street over from the Main Street with the City of Gaffney Visitors Center, Gaffney. **Ongoing** - Featuring works in a variety of media by Cherokee County artists. Hours: Mon.-Thur., from 8:30am-5pm and Fri., from 8:30am-3:45pm. Contact: call Shelba Cook at 864/490-0609 or call the Visitors Center at 864/487-6244.

## Georgetown

**The Rice Museum**, 633 Front Street, Georgetown. **Ongoing** - Georgetown's oldest destination for history, art and culture. The Museum Complex consists of the Old Town Clock and the Kaminski Hardware Building. Admission is free. The Kaminski Hardware building houses the oldest recovered wooden boat in America, the Brown's Ferry Vessel, along with 2 floors of displays and history, as well as, local gifts and the Prevost Art Gallery. The Old Town Clock Building was once used as an open market and later as the City's Town Hall. Tours are available daily which include both historic buildings. Hours: Tue.-Sat., 11am-4pm. Contact: at ([ricemuseum.org](http://ricemuseum.org)).

**The South Carolina Maritime Museum**, 729 Front St, Georgetown. **Ongoing** - In 1996, the Harbor Historical Association launched a dream to create a museum that would celebrate the maritime history of South Carolina and Georgetown, the state's second largest port. In 2011, with community support, the South Carolina Maritime Museum opened on the waterfront in historic downtown Georgetown. Home to the prized Fresnel lens of the old North Island lighthouse, our mission is to create enjoyable experiences for both young people and adults by featuring exhibits, programs and events related to South Carolina's rich and remarkable maritime history. Admission: Free, donations appreciated. Hours: Mon.-Sat., 11am-5pm. Contact: 843/520-0111 or at ([scmaritimemuseum.org](http://scmaritimemuseum.org)).

## Greenville

**Throughout Greenville. Ongoing** - "Public Art in Greenville". The City of Greenville's long-standing support for public art is a testament to our belief that the arts enhance the quality of life for residents and visitors, and strengthen our community – socially, economically, and

culturally. The City's permanent collection includes more than 120 works of public art (including sculptures, statues, murals, architectural elements/structures, historic pieces, etc.). Ongoing efforts to enhance the built environment through public art and creative placemaking contribute to the area's unique aesthetic identity, and create platforms for community engagement and dialogue. For more info visit (<https://storymaps.arcgis.com/collections/4a3096011985490b971d3f778466c9b4>).

**Main Street in Greenville. May 9 - 11, 2025** - Artisphere 2025. This year, we are thrilled to bring the 21st annual Artisphere festival back to Main Street, presented by PRISMA Health. Now in its 21st year, Artisphere continues to break its own attendance record, with an estimated 92.5 thousand visitors in 2023. With consistent growth in attendance, we continue to bring arts, culture, and a unique experience to the Upstate year after year. Founded in 2003, Artisphere's mission is to create a nationally recognized Fine Arts festival that enhances the quality of life and economic vitality in South Carolina. The 15th Anniversary of Artisphere in 2019 was a huge success. Applications reached 952, average artists' sales were over \$9,730, attendance neared 70,000 and economic impact grossed an astounding \$9.1 million. Artisphere has grown into a centerpiece of Greenville's cultural calendar and has distinguished itself as both a national and regional destination while generating a total economic impact of nearly \$9.1 million in 2019. The festival is one of the country's top art shows. It has been named the Best Overall Arts Fair by ArtFairCalendar.com (the #1 website for art fair event listings) and landed at the #3 spot in USA Today's 10BEST Reader's Choice Contest for Best Art Festival in 2015. Greg Lawler's Art Fair Sourcebook consistently ranks Artisphere in the TOP10 out of 600 festivals across the country, and readers of Sunshine Artists magazine regularly put Artisphere among the 100 Best Fine Arts Shows in the country. Hours: Fri., noon-8pm; Sat., 10am-8pm; & Sun., 11am-6pm. For further information visit ([artisphere.org](http://artisphere.org)).

**Downtown Greenville** - "First Fridays," featuring a gallery crawl presented on the first Fri, of the month from 6-9pm. Visit galleries throughout the downtown area. For info: ([www.fristfridaysonline.com](http://www.fristfridaysonline.com)).

**Greenville Center for Creative Arts**, 25 Draper Street, Greenville. **Main Gallery, Through May 28** - "Beyond the Edge," featuring works by Lindsay Godin & Ana Vizcarra Rankin. **The Shop at GCCA** - In celebration of our eighth anniversary, Greenville Center for Creative Arts is thrilled to announce the opening of our official gift shop! As another opportunity for GCCA to support local artists, visitors can shop for consigned artworks from Greenville-based artists including prints, small originals, jewelry, pottery, and more! The Shop at GCCA will also have novelty merchandise for sale so you can show your love for Greenville arts everywhere you go! **Ongoing** - Home to 16 studio artists. Hours: Wed.-Fri., 1-5pm. Contact: call 864/735-3948 or at ([www.artcentergreenville.org](http://artcentergreenville.org)).



Work by Grainger McKoy

**Greenville County Museum of Art**, 420 College Street, Greenville. **Through May 25** - "Bob Ray: Suit Yourself", Bob Ray (b. 1952) works in a variety of media, including drawing, painting, collage, sculpture, and even correspondence and performance. Born in Warrensburg, Missouri, just east of Kansas City, he now lives with his wife in the small town of Washington in eastern North Carolina. Guest-curated by Mark Sloan, "Bob Ray: Suit Yourself" features a selection of the artist's most recent paintings and drawings. Inspired by the Abstract Expressionist painters, Ray also draws from the Dada and Fluxus movements. Each of Ray's artworks offers evidence of its own evolution. **Ongoing** - "Three Mighty Gamecocks," features works in various media by Corrie McCallum (1914 – 2009), Jasper Johns (born 1930), and Grainger McKoy (born 1947), all of whom graduated

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