SC Institutional Galleries

Publisher's Note: Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic it is advised that you check with facilities you want to visit before you do so, to find out if they are open and what limitations they are working under. Don't just assume they are open or closed and don't forget about these people, there are many ways you can support them during these troubling times. Check out their websites.

Virtual Exhibitions

Through May 31, 2023 - "SC Watermedia Society's Spring Digital Show". The "2022 Spring Digital Show" is being judged by Kie Johnson. It will be viewable here at (http://scwatermedia. com/22sds/).

Allendale

Salkehatchie Arts Center, 939 N. Main St., Allendale. Ongoing - Featuring a retail store offering works by artists from the Salkehatchie region including Allendale, Bamberg, Barnwell, Colleton, and Hampton Counties. Hours: Tue.-Sat., 10am-5pm.Contact: 803/584-6084.

Aiken

Aiken Center for the Arts, 122 Laurens St., SW, Aiken. Main Gallery, Through June 16 - "Aiken Artist Guild Annual Member Show". Aiken Artist Guild Gallery, Through June 16 - "Aiken Artist Guild Annual Member Show". June 23 - July 28 - Featuring works by Mike Snug and Nong Von Buedingen. A reception will be held on June 23, from 6-8pm. Hours: Tue.-Fri., 9:30am-5:30pm. Contact: 803/641-9094 or at (www.aikencenterforthearts.org).

Anderson

Anderson Arts Center, located in the Arts Warehouse, 110 Federal Street, downtown Anderson. Warehouse Galleries, June 3 - 30 - "Collected Conceptions" featuring works by the Bay 3 artists. There will be a reception on June 3, 6-8pm. Don't miss the Bay 3 artists in their own exhibit in the main galleries! The Bay 3 Artisan Gallery is a co-operative gallery and gift shop of local artists located in the Anderson Arts Center. The work presented in Bay 3 features many different mediums ensuring a variety styles and price ranges. Bay 3 Artists: Marion Harvey Carroll, Rebecca Lawson Carruth, Sherron Fergason, Cheryl Gibisch, Diana Gilham, Ann Heard, Deane King, Brenda McLean, Joy Moss, Wesa Neely, Kathy Ogden, Mac Read, Diann Simms and Leslie Wentzell. Hours: Tue.-Fri., 9:30am-5:30pm. Contact: 864/222-2787 or (www.andersonartscenter.org).

Bay3 Artisan Gallery, located in the Arts Warehouse, 110 Federal St., Anderson. Ongoing - Featuring works by Marion Carroll, Rebecca Lawson Carruth, Sherron Dorris-Fergason, Cheryl Gibisch, Diana Gilham, Ann Heard, Deane King, Joy Moss, Wesa Neely, Kathy Ogden, John "Mac" Read, Leslie Wentzell, and Diann Simms. The work presented in the gallery features oils, acrylics, watercolors, photography, pastels, collage, assemblages, sculpture, mosaics, and stained glass and jewelry. There is a piece of original art for every home or office in a variety of price ranges. Co-sponsored by the Anderson Arts Center. Hours: Tue.-Fri., 10am-4pm & Sat., 10am-1pm. Contact: 864/716-3838 or at (www.andersonartscenter.org).

will see an array of the Bluffton artist's fluid art abstracts, landscapes and seascapes. Her techniques have been honed from a lifetime of artistic exploration. **Ongoing -** Featuring works in a variety of mediums by over 100 area artists, with all work moderately priced. Changing shows every six weeks. Hours: Mon.-Sat., 10am-5pm & Sun., 11:30am-3pm. Contact: 843/757-6586 or at (www.sobagallery.com).

Camden

Bassett Gallery, Arts Center of Kershaw County, 810 Lyttleton Street, Camden. **Ongoing** - The Arts Center of Kershaw County is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization that brings energy, creativity, and experience of the Arts to all ages. The Arts Center strives to make both the Visual, Music and Performing Arts an integral part of the life of our community. Admission: Free. Hours: closed now due to COVID-19, but varies by exhibit. Contact: 803/425-7676 or at (www.fineartscenter.org).

Charleston

Avery Research Center for African History and Culture, at the College of Charleston, 125 Bull St., Charleston. Ongoing - Exhibits on view include: "Since 1920: Zeta Phi Beta Centennial". The Gamma Zeta chapter of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority Incorporated presents a centennial exhibit filled with the rich history of the sorority in print and paraphernalia. Visitors can see in-depth the programming, philanthropy and reach of Zeta Phi Beta during their 100 years. "The Water Keeps Rising" Hip-hop artist and activist Benny Starr has created an interactive exhibit based on data from the Avery's State of Racial Disparities Report in Charleston County. This exhibit will create an immersive experience for visitors. In the areas of civic engagement, racial disparities, the environment and performance art/music, this exhibit will aim to connect the dots from historical data and archival information up to the present conditions of the Lowcountry. "Resilient". Local artist Chris "Kolpeace" Johnson will highlight the power of being resilient with this work that recognizes African Americans who have shown strength through adversity including the late local activist Muhiyidin D'baha and Cyntoia Brown, who faced life in prison after being convicted of homicide as a juvenile. These pieces are tributes to memorialize the impactful strength of an unsung hero in the community, engaging the soul and spirit. 'The African Origins of Mathematics". Charleston resident and artist Robert "King David" Ross highlights the direct impact Africa has had on modern mathematics in this exhibit. Showcasing the first math instrument, the Ishango bone, the exhibit allows visitors to see the influence Africa has had on every aspect of life. Admission: Free. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 10am-5pm, with guided tours at 10:30am, 11:30am, 1:30pm, 2:30pm, and 3:30pm. Contact: 843/805-5507 or visit (www. cofc.edu/avery).

Charleston Artist Guild Gallery, 160 East Bay St., Charleston. June 1 - 30 - "Impressions," a collection of new works by Ginny Versteegen. A reception will be held on June 3, from 5-8pm. The landscape comes to life with color as Ginny Versteegen uses her vibrant palette of oil paints on canvas. As a Contemporary Impressionist, Ginny Versteegen has brought together a collection of "Lasting Impressions". Connect with the artist and nature as you view her latest creations. Versteegen unveils the majesty found in color and light. Ongoing - Featuring an exhibit of works by over 80 plus members of CAG w display a wealth of talent in different media including, oils, acrylics, pastels, watercolors, photography, printmaking & sculpture. The Gallery is also home for the CAG office. Hours: Daily, 11am-6pm. Contact: 843/722-2454 or at (www. charlestonartistguild.com).

performers and international heads of state working to bring peace to the world. He celebrated their accomplishments even as he acknowledged the realities of racism, violence and oppression they faced and overcame. Some of his fighters-Harriet Tubman, George Washington Carver, Marian Anderson and Mahatma Gandhi-are familiar historical figures; others are less well-known individuals whose determination and sacrifice have been eclipsed over time. Drawn entirely from the collection of more than 1,000 works by Johnson given to the Smithsonian American Art Museum by the Harmon Foundation in 1967, this exhibition is the first-ever presentation of this series in Johnson's home state of South Carolina. "Fighters for Freedom: William H. Johnson Picturing Justice" is organized by the Smithsonian American Art Museum with generous support from Art Bridges, Faye and Robert Davidson, and the Jacob and Gwendolyn Lawrence Foundation. Gallery 9, Through Aug. 7 - "A New Deal: Artists at Work". During the Great Depression of the 1930s, President Franklin Delano Roosevelt launched his ambitious Works Progress Administration (WPA) programs that sent millions of unemployed Americans back to work, including more than 5,000 artists. The Federal Art Project, formed under the WPA, afforded opportunities to a diverse group of artists, including women, African Americans and recent immigrants from China, Russia and Germany. This monumental effort to put artists back to work resulted in a collection of artworks intended to uplift the national spirit and encourage creativity in the face of great challenges. The Gibbes is one of a select group of institutions across the country that houses a historic collection of Federal Art Project prints. Gallery 2 & 3, Through Oct. 9 - "William Eggleston Photographs from the Laura and Jay Crouse Collection". It is said that William Eggleston's unique ability to conflate the epic and the everyday has made him one of the most impactful figures in late 20th century photography. A native of Memphis, TN, Eggleston first photographed his local environs in the 1950s in black-and-white but became one of the first fine art photographers to use color to record his observations in a more heightened and accurate way. Today, his strikingly vivid yet enigmatic images of parked cars, billboards, storefronts, diners and other artifacts of the ordinary world are considered groundbreaking. The photographs presented in this edition of the museum's Charleston Collects exhibition series were selected from the Laura and Jay Crouse Collection and represent many of the pioneering artist's most notable works. The exhibition will be accompanied by a full-color catalog with an essay on the artist by Simon Constantine, Ph.D., professor of photographic history at Birkbeck, University of London, and Sotheby's Art Institute. Galleries 1, 4, and 5, Permanent Exhibition -"18th and 19th Century American Paintings and Sculpture". American paintings, from colonial portraits to Civil War-era landscapes, occupy the Gibbes Main Gallery. Portraits of leading political, social, and military figures include works by Jeremiah Theus, Henry Benbridge, Benjamin West, Gilbert Stuart, Thomas Sully and Samuel F.B. Morse. The gallery also features landscape and genre scenes by Angelica Kaufmann, Louis Mignot, Eastman Johnson, Conrad Wise Chapman, and William Aiken Walker. The paintings collection is complemented by examples of neoclassical sculpture on view in the Campbell Rotunda, and decorative art objects on loan from the Rivers Collection. Gallery 5, Permanent Exhibition - "Miniature Portraits". The first American miniature portraits were painted in Charleston, and today the Gibbes is home to one of the most prestigious portrait miniature collections in the United States. Containing more than six hundred objects, the collection spans nearly two hundred years and represents the work of over a hundred artists Small enough to fit in the palm of the hand, these tiny portraits were treasured remembrances of loved ones in the age before photography. Presented in state-of-the-art display cases, and in viewable storage drawers featured miniatures include works by Mary Roberts, Jeremiah Theus, Henry Benbridge, Charles Wilson Peale, Pierre Henri, Edward Greene Malbone, George Engleheart, and Charles Fraser. Gallery 6, Permanent Exhibition - "20th Century American Regionalism and the Charleston Renaissance". At the turn of the twentieth century, American artists looked to their European counterparts and beyond as they developed identifiably American artistic movements. Two particularly strong influences during this time period were French Impressionism and Japanese woodblock prints. Another prevailing theme during this period was the growing interest in American subject matter. American regionalism and social realism played important roles in the development of art in Charleston, which flourished as a destination for artists, particularly during the years of 1915 to 1945 a period now known as the Charleston Renaissance. Gallery 7, Permanent Exhibition - "Modern and Contemporary". Modern and contemporary art in America encompasses a wide range of styles, subject matter, and media.

to African American activists, scientists, teachers,

As a whole, the diversity of modern and contemporary art reflects the rich and varied heritage of our nation and the lowcountry region. Works in this gallery were created over the past forty years by artists who are native to the area, who have worked here, or who have created objects that reflect the complex story of the region. The works are grouped to reflect several themes including the southern landscape, the human figure, abstraction, and the legacy of slavery in America. Visiting Artist Series, Session II: Through June 12 - "Sardine Press". Leigh Sabisch graduated from College of Charleston with a double major in arts management and studio art and a minor in art history in 2017, where she met the printmaking technician, Allison Koch. Koch, also a graduate from College of Charleston, received a degree in English literature in 2011 and studio art in 2014. In 2019, the duo founded Sardine Press, the mission of which is to cram their love of printmaking and their satisfaction gained from teaching into a mid-sized RV. Together, the two artists have planned and executed printmaking fundraisers for the ACLU and Planned Parenthood as well as pop-up, hands-on printmaking events. In addition to their own respective studio practices, the two create collaborative works and have exhibited together. Session II: Through June 12 - "Jamele Wright, Sr.". Born and raised in Ohio, at the age of 22 Jamele Wright, Sr. moved with his family to Atlanta. While raising a family, Wright produced art, jazz and poetry events throughout the city. Realizing that there were many young artists not being represented, he started a gallery called Neo Renaissance Art House. After curating the gallery for over a year, Wright was inspired to pursue his own artistic career. After a number of solo and group exhibitions, the artist graduated from Georgia State University with a B.A. in art history. He concentrated on African and African American contemporary art. Jamele Wright, Sr. graduated with an MFA from School of Visual Arts in Manhattan. He completed a fellowship at Project for Empty Spaces in Newark, N.J. as well as a residency at Hambidge Art Center, Rabun Gap, Ga. He currently maintains his practice in Atlanta. Ruth and Bill Baker Art Sales Gallery, Through June 19 - "Common Ground," featuring works by Katy Mixon and Maria White.Working primarily with oil paint and clay, Mixon and White each begin with a nutrient-rich muck and, using incremental and repetitive methods, model their forms on the biological patterns and cyclical rhythms found in nature. In shaping these earthen materials, they study the interplay of light and form and emphasize textures that can only be achieved through time and space. Museum Shop - Now offering the inventory of the Tradd Street Press, reproductions of works by Elizabeth O'Neill Verner amoung other exhibit related art objects. Hours: Mon.-Thur., 10am-5pm & Sun., 1-5pm . Admission: Yes. Contact: 843/722-2706 or at (www.gibbesmuseum.org).

Halsey Institute of Contemporary Art, The Marion and Wayland H. Cato Jr. Center for the Arts, College of Charleston School of the Arts, 161 Calhoun St., Charleston. Through July 16 - "Kukuli Velarde - CORPUS". The Halsey Institute will debut Peruvian American artist Kukuli Velarde's CORPUS project in its entirety for the first time. CORPUS is comprised of ceramic and fabric works that encourage reflection on the meaning of survival in the face of colonialism. Fifteen ceramic sculptures, each with matching tapestries, will be presented in a symbolic representation of the annual Corpus Christi festival in Cusco, Perú. Through July 16 - "Nancy Friedemann-Sanchez - PINTURAS DE CASTA AND TH-ECONSTRUCTION OF AMERICAN IDENTITY". The Halsey Institute of Contemporary Art will present works from Colombian American artist Nancy Friedemann-Sánchez's Casta Paintings series. Friedemann-Sánchez's paintings reference casta painting, a genre popularized in eignteentn-century Spanish Colonial Central and South America that purported to depict a racial and social taxonomy of children born of racially mixed couplings. Friedemann-Sánchez's contemporary casta paintings take inspiration from this problematic genre to reflect on the legacy of colonialism that lingers in the racial and social discrimination and marginalization present in her home country of Colombia and here in the United States. The paintings feature life-size tracings of female bodies adorned with floral imagery lifted from both the indigenous resin technique of mopa mopa and Spanish colonial iconography. Hours: Mon.- Sat., 11am-4pm; untill 7pm on Thur. and by appt. Contact: 843/953-4422 or at (http://halsey. cofc.edu/exhibitions/).

Beaufort Area

Beaufort Art Association Gallery,913 Bay

Street, across the street from the Clock Tower, Beaufort. **Ongoing** - New works by more than 90 exhibiting members of the Beaufort Art Association Gallery - exhibits and featured artists change every six weeks. In addition to framed paintings in a variety of media, the gallery offers prints, photographs, unframed matted originals, jewelry, sculpture, ceramics and greeting cards. Hours: Tue.-Sun.,11am-4pm. Contact: 843/521-4444 or at (www.beaufortartassociation.com).

Bluffton

Society of Bluffton Artists Gallery/Learning Center, 6 & 8 Church Street, corner of Calhoun and Church Street, Bluffton. June 6 - July - "No Regrets," an exhibit of works by Christy Chen. There will be a reception on June 11, from 5-7pm. Visitors to the Society of Bluffton Artist's Gallery during June and early July will have "No Regrets," as the paintings of Christy Coffey Chen will be on display in the gallery's Featured Artist exhibit. The exhibition is titled "No Regrets" and showcases Chen's ability to create beautiful, dreamy moodscapes. Guests to the gallery **City Gallery at Joseph P. Riley, Jr. Waterfront Park**, 34 Prioleau Street, Charleston. **Through June 12 -** "2022 Piccolo Spoleto Juried Art Exhibition," juried by photographer Marie Carladous. Awards for the Exhibition include \$100 each for Best Photography, Best Printmaking, Best Sculpture, Best Painting, and Best Drawing; Best in Show is \$500. Due to the ongoing situation related to COVID-19 in South Carolina, City Gallery guests are requested to reserve in advance for free, timed admission online via (www.charleston-sc.gov/citygallery) or by phone by calling the gallery during business hours. Face masks are required of all guests and staff. Contact: 843/958-6484 or (www.charleston-sc.gov/citygallery).

Gibbes Museum of Art, 135 Meeting Street, Charleston. **Gallery 8, Through Aug. 7 -** "Fighters for Freedom: William H. Johnson Picturing Justice". William H. Johnson painted his Fighters for Freedom series in the mid-1940s as a tribute Redux Contemporary Art Center, featuring Redux Studios, 1056 King Street, Charleston. Main Gallery, GALLERY 1056, June 3 - July 16 - " Creative Corridors: The Annual Redux Studio Artist Exhibition". A reception will be held June 3, from 5-8pm, and Open Studios will be on June 16,from 5-8pm. The Annual Studio Artist Exhibition is an opportunity for Redux resident artists to showcase a sample of their work, as it relates to a specific prompt and is curated as a group exhibition in Redux's main exhibition

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