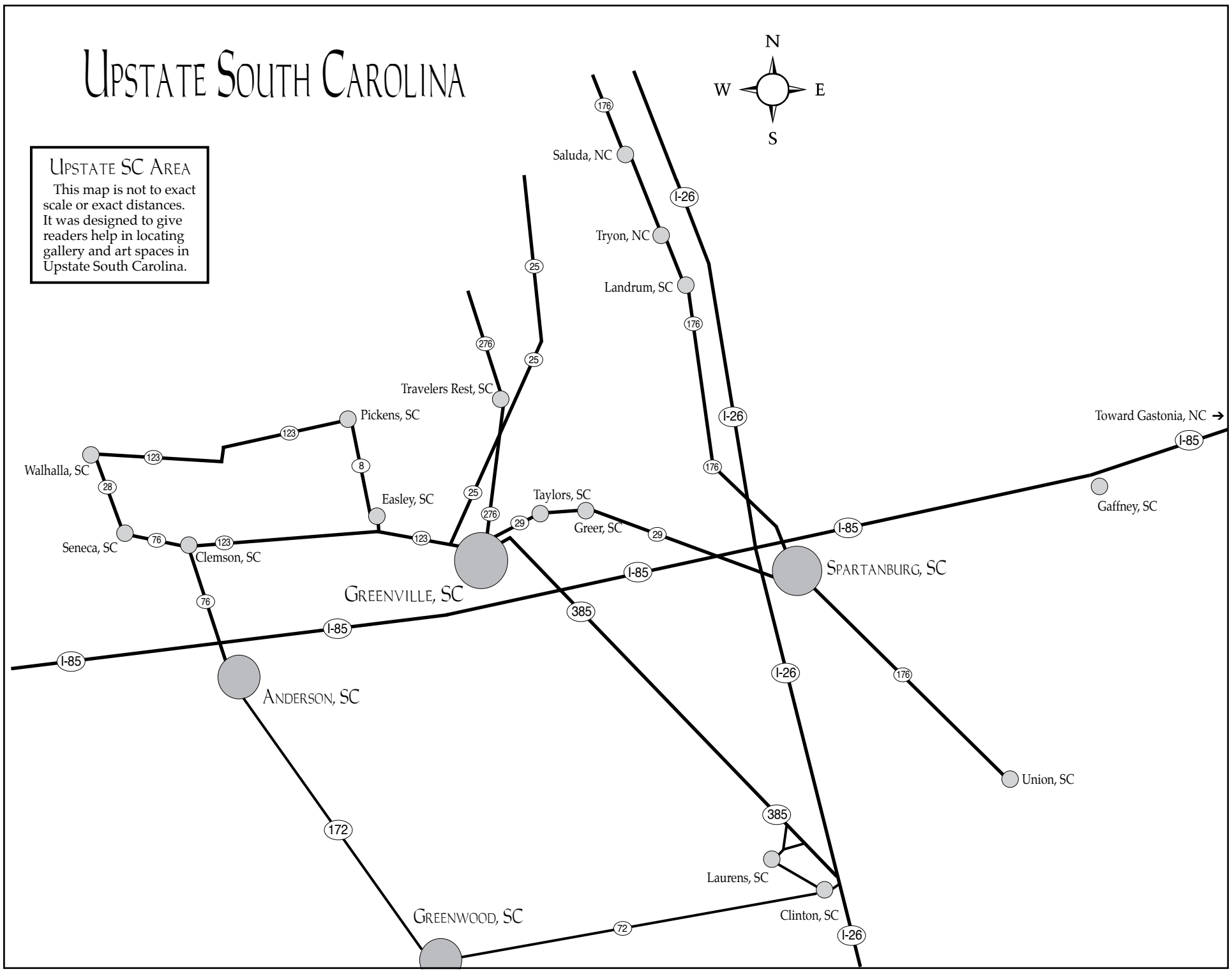

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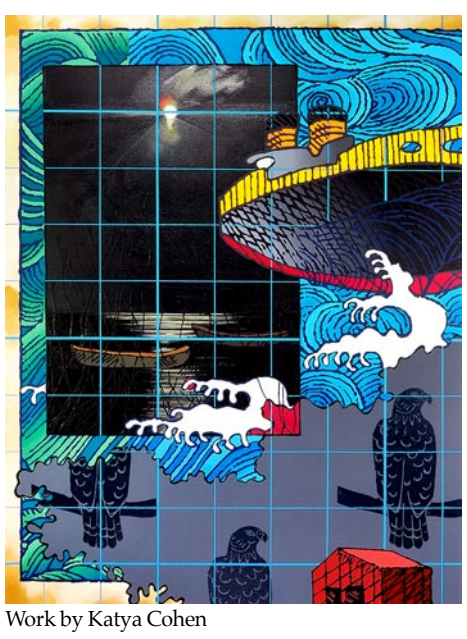
artists that is of significance to them, they add.

Barbara Ervin, co-chair of the Contemporary Print Collective, says, "Although for printmakers, printmaking is a definite passion, sometimes that passion spills over into creating with another medium, such as oil or acrylic paint or pencil. Creative minds use what is best for their expression. This show will be a collection of just that. There will be printmaking pieces as a starting point from all of the artists, but there also will be examples of other mediums, or lesser-known printing methods that show how diverse their creative work is.

"The viewer will be transported to a whole different place and frame of mind. Because of our diversity in styles and subject matter, there will be something for anyone's 'getaway' to the Solomon Gallery at Artist Collective Spartanburg," Ervin adds.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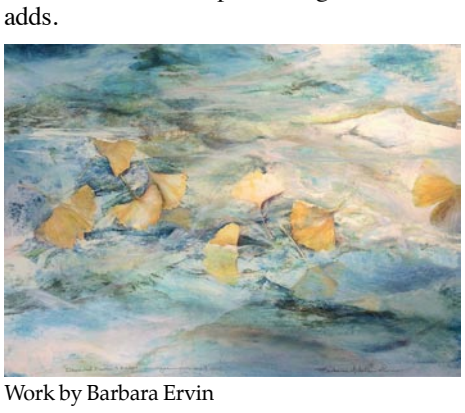
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The idea for the exhibition originated when Steven Chapp, one of the founders of the Contemporary Print Collective, was offered the opportunity for a one-person show at ACS. "However, the Contemporary Print Collective of Greenville is near and dear to his heart, so he suggested that he would prefer a group exhibition of the CPC member artists," Jaramillo says. "Steven has always been impressed with the printmaking and letterpress facilities in the ACS Printery. He thought it would be a great opportunity to spotlight the art of printmaking and the marvelous collection of antique presses and facilities in the printery." Chapp also suggested including works in other media that printmakers use as inspiration for their artwork.

Co-chair and participating artist Susan Staggs says the Contemporary Print Collective members "share a love for printmaking and express their ideas through using traditional, non-traditional, experimental and expanded mediums. The crossover between print, paint and photography can become blurred within the artmaking process depending on the artist's focus."

Staggs adds, "The professionalism in the artwork which is offered to the public in conjunction with the exposure through the media, the ArtWalk and the fabulous downtown venue provides a rich experience for the viewer and for the incredible artists working throughout the state. The exhibit space also offers such a large, gorgeous, versatile space in which to view the art.

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The Artists Collective | Spartanburg, located on W. Main Street, provides a forum and home for the arts and creative population of Spartanburg, providing facilities and services to artist members for exhibits, performances and creation.

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Spartanburg County Public Libraries in Spartanburg, SC, Offers Annual Juried Exhibition

The Spartanburg County Public Libraries' Headquarters Library in downtown Spartanburg, SC, will present the *10th Annual Juried Exhibition*, juried by Doug McAbee, featuring works by artists from both North and South Carolina, on view in the Crutchfield Gallery from July 26 through Sept. 26, 2023. A reception will be held on Sept. 16, call for times.

This competition is open to artists age 18 and older, professional or amateur, who reside in North Carolina or South Carolina. All work must be original and created within the past 5 years and not previously shown at the library.

Doug McAbee learned to weld at age 7. While his imagination was running wild, his father began teaching him practical construction methods with steel. The sense of play and exploration he valued then is still with him as he creates whimsical and organic drawings and sculptures.

McAbee was born in Spartanburg, SC, on Jan. 4, 1972 and he grew up there as well. He earned his MFA at Winthrop

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