## Craven Arts Council and Gallery in New Bern, NC, Features Exhibit of Photography

The Craven Arts Council and Gallery in New Bern, NC, will present *Coastal Photo Club Exhibition*, featuring works by its members on wide array of subjects in a variety of styles, on view in the Main Gallery at Bank of the Arts, from Aug. 1 - 31, 2021. A reception will be held on Aug. 13, from 5-8pm, during the downtown New Bern Artwalk.

This exhibit will feature work by the Coastal Photo Club's nearly one hundred members, with images taken from eastern North Carolina and around the world. Each artist has been invited to submit up to two images for exhibition. The exhibit showcases the variety of styles and materials available to the modern photographer, including framed photos, canvas prints, and metal laminate pieces from different artists. Differences in production are also highlighted, from classic darkroom techniques to advanced digital photo manipulation.

The Coastal Photo Club was estab-



Work by Donna Hodgins

lished in 1991 as New Bern Camera Club by Elizabeth Dunn. The group participates and organizes exhibitions for its members at local galleries and spaces, including the New Bern Public Library and the Bank of the Arts. The club also organizes photography oriented field trips and workshops for the membership.

For further information check our NC Institutional Gallery listings, contact: Mairin Gwyn Narron by calling 252/638-2577 or visit (www.cravenarts.org).

## Sunset River Marketplace in Calabash, NC, Features Works by Doli Biondillo

Sunset River Marketplace, the eclectic art gallery in Calabash, NC, will present *Hello Doli: Works by Doli Biondillo*, a North Myrtle Beach, SC, artist, on view from Aug. 6 through Sept. 6, 2021. A reception will be held on Aug. 6, from 5-7pm.

Primarily a self-taught artist, DBio - as she often signs herself - began by watching artist programs on PBS. However, she enjoyed a fulfilling career in medicine before she began painting in earnest. Now, working in oil, she creates detailed coastal scenes in saturated colors and precise brushstrokes that bring ocean and marsh scenes to life.

A native of New Orleans, LA, Biondillo lived most of her life in the Midwest relocating eventually to take a position in South Carolina. Today, she is a full-time professional artist. She says, "I pour my heart and a little bit of my soul into my paintings. The beauty of nature is truly humbling. Beautifully dramatic skylines inspire me. They transport me to another place in time. Light against dark, chiaroscuro, carries such an impact. Reflections in wet sand are ethereal. I love to study cloud formations and how the hues and values change moment to moment as the sun rises and sets. I'm truly moved by the beauty and purity of it all."



Work by Doli Biondillo

Lassiter, the show at Sunset River Marketplace will include coastal scenes, seascapes and familiar local landscapes. "Doli's work is so detailed," Lassiter says, "and her brushwork is phenomenal. Her paintings are going to be a hit with our local collectors."

Located in coastal Brunswick County, Sunset River Marketplace caters to both tourists and a growing local community of



Work by Doli Biondillo

fulltime residents seeking fine art for their homes and businesses. Featuring work by approximately 150 North and South Carolina artists, the gallery is well known in the area for its collection of oil paintings, watermedia, pastels, photography, hand-blown glass, fused glass, pottery and clay sculptures, turned and carved wood, unique home décor items and artisan jewelry.

There are two onsite kilns and five wheels used by the gallery's pottery students. Art classes and workshops are currently being offered on a limited basis.

The FrameCenter, located within the gallery, call framer Louis Aliotta directly at 910/368-7351.

Special COVID-19 Notice: To meet North Carolina State guidelines, Sunset River Marketplace requests that patrons who are not fully vaccinated wear face coverings and requires the use of hand sanitizer plus six-foot social distancing between gallery visitors and at the cash register. The gallery staff conducts thorough cleaning of surfaces upon opening and closing and during the day and has placed complimentary hand sanitizer throughout the gallery for visitor use.

For further information check our NC Commercial Gallery listings, call 910/575-5999 or visit (sunsetrivermarketplace.com). Daily updates are available on the gallery's Facebook and Instagram pages.

The deadline each month to submit articles, photos and ads is the 24th of the month prior to the next issue. This will be August 24th for the September 2021 issue and Sept. 24th for the Oct. 2021 issue.

After that, it's too late unless your exhibit runs into the next month. But don't wait for the last minute - send your info now.

And where do you send that info? E-mail to (info@carolinaarts.com).

Do it now - don't wait!

Hello Doli Works by Doli Biondillo
Aug 6 - Sept 6, 2021
Reception Aug 6, 5 - 7 p.m.

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