### **CURTIS R. HARLEY** GALL E R Y R T



## August 17-September 21 ARTIST RECEPTION- SEPTEMBER 6 @ 4:30 p.m.

# **University of South Carolina** Upstate in Spartanburg, SC, **Features Works by Leah Cabinum**

The University of South Carolina Upstate in Spartanburg, SC, is presenting EMERGE, a sculptural installation and spatial experience exhibition, featuring works by South Carolina artist Leah Cabinum, on view at the Upstate Gallery on Main, in downtown Spartanburg, through Nov. 3, 2018. A reception will be held on Sept. 20, from 5-8pm, during the Spartanburg ArtWalk.

Cabinum creates immersive installations, sculptural objects, and drawings made from diverse materials not necessarily associated with art. Holding degrees in metalsmithing, sculpture and drawing, she uses a variety of techniques that support a cyclical theme, which is pervasive throughout her work. Inspired by the cyclical, interconnected nature of human experience and perception, Cabinum's organic abstractions celebrate the complexity of both the growth process and our intuitive understanding of inevitable change. Using effervescent color and playful biomorphic forms as visual conduits for emotive discovery, her pulsating, sculptural installations gently challenge the viewer to find their own center in our ever changing universe. Often derived from repurposed objects that link the physical to the conceptual, her materials are chosen for their inherent attributes. Cabinum's practice is in the vein of Arte Povera, the radical Italian art movement from the late 1960s whose artists explored a range of unconventional processes and nontraditional 'everyday' materials. "I am a link," said Cabinum. "My work is a process of exploring the cyclical relationship between ideas and things. Sculptural objects, installations, mark-making, performance and video are the product. The combination of touching a thing and looking beyond its surface (or vice versa), Page 16 - Carolina Arts, September 2018



practice, this exhibition relies upon natural references, such as flora, fauna, and physiology to symbolize various phases and emotions that I have experienced in my youth until the present."

Leah Mulligan Cabinum (born 1967, USA) creates installations, sculptural objects, and drawings made from diverse, often untraditional materials. Cabinum received her Master of Fine Arts from Winthrop University and Bachelor of Fine Arts from the University of Georgia. Born in Athens, GA, where she grew up, Cabinum's work has been widely exhibited, including nationally at the Stone Quarry Hill Art Park and Marin MOCA. Often derived from repurposed objects that link the physical to the conceptual, her materi-

Wofford College in Spartanburg, SC, Features Works from the Johnson Collection Wofford College in Spartanburg, SC, is presenting Scenic Impressions: Southern Interpretations from the Johnson Collec*tion*, on view at the Richardson Family Art Museum, located in the Rosalind Sallenger Richardson Center, through Dec 20.2018. In its presentation of some forty paintings created between 1880 and 1940 - including landscapes and genre scenes, Scenic Impressions traces an international aesthetic's journey to and germination in the American South. Featured artists include Wayman Adams, Colin Camp-Work by Anthony Thieme bell Cooper, Elliott Daingerfield, G. was on view at the Morris Museum of Art Ruger Donoho, James Herring, Alfred in Augusta, GA, the McKissick Museum Hutty, Blondelle Malone, Lawrence Mazzanovich, Paul Plaschke, Hattie Saussy, in Columbia, SC, Telfair Museums in Alice Ravenel Huger Smith, Anthony Thi-Savannah, GA, and the Knoxville (TN) eme, Helen Turner, and Ellsworth Wood-Museum of Art. The Rosalind Sallenger ward, artists who explored local color to Richardson Center for the Arts at Spartanproduce, in the words of the popular and burg's Wofford College will be the show's prolific American Impressionist Childe final venue. Hassam, "some things that are charming." The Richardson Family Art Museum After opening at the Dixon Gallery and accommodates Wofford College's perma-Gardens in Memphis, TN, the exhibition continued on Page 17

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### Harley Gallery:

The Gallery, located on the first floor of the Humanities & Performing Arts Center, is free and open to the public from 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Mon.-Fri.

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als are chosen for their inherent attributes. She lives in Upstate South Carolina's rural countryside where she works in her studio and shares her passion with her art students.

"This exhibit will intrigue and surprise guests when they visit our Main Street location," said University Gallery Director Jane Nodine. "Leah will be joining the USC Upstate art faculty this fall to teach three-dimensional design and painting so this is an opportunity to introduce her to the community."

For further information check our SC Institutional Gallery listings, call Jane Nodine, university gallery director, at 864/503-5838 or e-mail to (jnodine@uscupstate.edu).

Work by Leah Cabinum

enables me to discover connections. Media and materials range from trash to gold and are chosen for their corporal and conceptual value alike. Often, the subtlety of a thing is what lures me in, like an inaudible whisper that can only be felt. I link the tangible with the intangible."

Of the EMERGE exhibition the artist says, "This emotive body of work was created as a response to my personal journey. My perspective continues to evolve from one of reckoning to one of reveling. Biomorphic, curvaceous, voluptuous, and bulging forms made from a variety of materials mimic the visceral and link my physical and psychological beings. In keeping with established personal

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