Queen's accomplishments as a devoted mother, a notable patron of the arts, and a loyal consort to the King. Royal portraits by Allan Ramsay, Sir Joshua Reynolds, and Sir William Beechey are featured in the exhibition, as are representative examples of works from the English manufactories - Wedgwood, Chelsea, Worcester, and others - patronized by the Queen. Bridges & Levine Galleries, Through Feb. 26 - "Aesthetic Ambitions: Edward Lycett and Brooklyn's Faience Manufacturing Company". During the 1880s, the Faience Manufacturing Company (1881-1892) earned praise for producing ornamental ceramics that "surpassed everything previously produced in this country." These bold and eclectic wares display a synthesis of Japanese, Chinese, and Islamic influences characteristic of the Aesthetic Movement style. This exhibition will include more than 40 objects drawn from public and private collections. Plaques, plates, ewers, vases, and decorative wares will illustrate Lycett's talent and adaptability to stylistic change over the course of his nearly 50-year career. In addition, Lycett's formula books, family photographs, and ephemera will further illuminate the life and work of this prominent figure in American ceramic history. **Ongoing -** "Art for the Millions: WPA Prints" and "Carolina Clay," featuring a display of colorful wares made between 1920 and 1950 as potters from NC adapted their works to a market economy. "Art of the United States," featuring contemporary works from the Mint's permanent collection, including works by Romare Bearden, Maud Gatewood, John Biggers Juan Logan, Tarlton Blackwell, Radcliffe Bailey, Kojo Griffin, and others. "Art in the Americas," featuring paintings, precious metalwork, sculpture, furniture and decorative arts from the 17th through the 19th centuries illustrate the unique culture that emerged from the Spanish colonization of the Americas. Crosland Gallery - Featuring a presentation of portraits with many fascinating images presented. Rankin Gallery - Featuring a presentation of the Romare Bearden Collection, including two "new" Beardens. Harris and Crist Galleries - Featuring some contemporary works that are new to the collection or have not been seen for a while. Delhom Gallery, Ongoing - The European Collection of ceramic works. Admission: Yes. Hours: Tue., 10am-9pm (free every Tue. from 5-9pm); Wed.-Sat., 10am-6pm; and Sun., 1-5pm. Closed Mon. and major holidays. Contact: 704/337-2000 or at (www. mintmuseum.org).



Untitled, Jun Kaneko, 2009, glazed ceramic, 82" x

Mint Museum Uptown, Levine Center for the Arts, 500 South Tryon St., Charlotte. Through Apr. 28 - "Jun Kaneko: In the Round," curated by Carla Hanzal. Born in Nagoya, Japan in 1942, Kaneko came to the United States in 1963 to study painting at the Chouinard Institute of Art in Los Angeles, now the California Institute for the Arts, where he became interested in sculp tural ceramics. Studying in California with Peter Voulkos, Paul Soldner, and Jerry Rothman, he became immersed in what is now known as the contemporary ceramics movement. Kaneko has taught at some of the nation's leading art schools, including Scripps College, Cranbrook Academy of Art, and the Rhode Island School of Design. Brand Galleries, Through Jan. 8 - "Romare Bearden: Southern Recollections," will include approximately 75 works of art that span the career of this internationally renowned, Charlotteborn artist. The exhibition and subsequent national tour will underscore not only Bearden's artistic mastery, particularly in the technique of collage, but also his development of narrative and thematic explorations of his native South. Collages, paintings, watercolors, and prints will be assembled from The Mint Museum's collection, as well private and public collections. Gorelick Galleries, Through Jan. 29 - "Shelia Hicks: Fifty Years". The exhibition is the first museum retrospective devoted to this pioneering figure. Hicks is an artist who builds with color and thinks with line. From her earliest work of the late 1950s, to the present she has crossed the bounds of painting, sculpture, design, drawing, and woven form, and has been a critical force in redefining the domains of contemporary art-making While

challenging the relation of fine arts to commercial arts and studio practice to site-specific commissions, Hicks has, above all, re--imagined the profound, vital relation of artist to artisan. Ongoing - The Mint Museum Uptown will house the world renowned collections of the Mint Museum of Craft + Design, as well as the American Art and Contemporary Art collections and selected works from the European Art collection. The building also includes a café, a Family Gallery, painting and ceramics studios, classrooms, a 240-seat auditorium, a Special Events Pavilion with outdoor terrace, and an expanded Museum Shop specializing in crafts of the Carolinas. Admission: Yes. Hours: Tue., 10am-9pm (free every Tue. from 5-9pm); Wed.-Sat., 10am-6pm; and Sun., 1-5pm. Closed Mon. and major holidays. Contact: 704/337-2000 or at (www.mintmuseum.org).

Pease Auditorium Gallery, Central Piedmont Community College, Central Campus, Pease Lane & Elizabeth Ave., Charlotte. Through Jan. 3 - "CPCC Ceramics and Drawing Student Invitational," featuring an exhibition of the best student work from the ceramics and drawing classes, including: Amy Berlak, Betsy Birkner, David Clark, Matthew Dinsmore, Randella Foster, Cameo Garrison, Christina Hall, Leanne Harrison, Leah Humphries, Helen Huntley, Madelyn Knowland-Conlee, Brandon Lamie, Ida Lee, Samantha Locklear, Mary Jane McKnight, Jodi McNeely, Joe Navarra, Shannon Radigan, Gary Rubin, Sherry Yu, and Kelly Ann Ziegler. Gallery Coordinators, Erika Diamond and Alyssa Wood, curated the exhibition. Jan. 17 - Feb. 20 - "More Voices from the Knoll: Annual Airy Knoll Farm Show". A reception will be held on Feb. 17, from 7-9pm. The exhibit features student work created during the annual summer workshop at Airy Knoll Farm in Virginia. Students explore their work and surroundings under the direction of faculity member Elizabeth Sproul Ross and various visiting artists. Hours: Mon., Wed., & Fri., 9am-4pm and Tue. & Thur., 1-4pm. Contact: 704-330-6668 or at (www.cpcc.edu/art_gallery).

The Civic & Cultural Arts Center of Pineville, 316 Main Street, right next door to "old" Pineville Police Station, Pineville. Ongoing - The CCAC is a 501(C)(3) non-profit organization offering a place where artist of every discipline have an opportunity to network and enhance their gifts. The CCAC is a gathering place for emerging and established artists of all ages to present, create and collaborate in giving life to their art, with a goal of embracing and promoting the artistic, creative and entrepreneurial possibilities available in our community through classes, workshops and on-going events and programs. Hours: Sat. 9am-1pm and most week nights from 6:30-9pm. Contact: call Lee Baumgarten at 704/889-2434, or visit (www.ccacpineville.org).

The Light Factory Contemporary Museum of Photography and Film, @ Spirit Square Galleries, 345 N. College St., Charlotte. Middleton-McMillan Gallery, Through Jan. 8 - "The Night Time is the Right Time: Mitchell Kearney and Jim Herrington". This exhibition is the third in our ongoing series titled "In Our Own Backyard", which celebrates artists who live in or have had some connection with Charlotte. The series was created to highlight the fact that some of the best art available can be found right in our own backyard. Mitchell Kearney grew up in New Jersey, became a photographer in New York City, and eventually found his way to Charlotte. Jim Herrington's life went the other way around. He is originally from Charlotte and later lived in New York, as well as Los Angeles, Nashville, Santa Fe, and East Berlin. In the mid-1980s, both Kearney's and Herrington's paths crossed and they worked together in Charlotte. Although they have photographed a variety of subjects, both photographers have several things in common: their love of music, the entertainment industry and the bright lights of the big city. Knight Gallery, Through Jan. 22 - Streetwise: Masters of 60's Photography, organized by the Museum of Photographic Arts, San Diego, CA. The exhibit builds on what Swiss photographer Robert Frank began with his new "snapshot aesthetic", which was brought to the foreground with the domestic release of his ground breaking book "The Americans," in January 1960. His focus on a more personal documentary style would influence a new generation of photographers Diane Arbus, Lee Friedlander, Jerry Berndt, Ruth-Marion Baruch, Garry Winogrand, Bruce Davidson, Danny Lyon, and Ernest Withers, all of whom are featured in "Streetwise". A catalogue published by Modernbook, which includes an essay by consulting guest curator Andy Grundberg, will be available. Jan. 30 -May 13 - "The Calm Before the Storm: Human Interaction with the Natural Landscape". This exhibition continues the examination of man and his relationship with the environment. a photographic theme that began with the influential 1975 exhibition "New Topographics: Photographs of a Man-Altered Landscape". Hours: Mon.-Fri., 9am-6pm; Sat., noon-5pm & Sun.,1-5pm. Contact: 704/333-9755 or at

(www.lightfactory.org).

Cherokee

Qualla Arts and Crafts Mutual, 645 Tsali Blvd., across from the Museum of the Cherokee Indian, Cherokee. Ongoing - Featuring basket weaving, pottery, wood carving, finger weaving, beadwork, stone carving and fine painting by members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. Artisans must go through a juried process to become affiliated with the organization and current membership stands at about 300. Hours: open daily, year round, with seasonal hours. Contact: 828/497-3103 or at (www.cherokee-nc.com).

Concord



Work by Mark Stephenson

Cabarrus Arts Council Galleries, Historic Courthouse, 65 Union Street, Concord. Jan. 17 - Mar. 8 - "In and Out," featuring a multimedia exhibition based on opposites, including interiors and exteriors, inner thoughts and outward expressions and the artists choices of methods and media. The show includes paintings, photographs, quilts, glass art, baskets and sculptures. Nineteen artists are included in the exhibition: Heather Allen-Swarttouw, Luke Allsbrook, Marina Konovalova-Bare, David and Veronica Bennett, Arless Day, Sharon Dowell, Anita Francis, Greg and Carla Filippelli, Martine House, Hanna Jubran, Gayle Stott Lowry, Virginia McKinney, Dottie Moore, David Simonton, Deborah Squier, Mark Stephenson, and Ginger J. Williamson. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 10am-4pm and the 2nd Sat. of each month. Contact: 704/920-2787 or at (www.cabarrusartscouncil.org).

Crossmore

The Crossnore Fine Arts Gallery, a North Carolina Fine Art Gallery, is located at The Historic Weaving Room on the Campus of Crossnore School, 205 Johnson Lane, Crossnore.

Ongoing - The gallery represents regional painters, sculptors and fine craft persons who want to take part in benefiting the children of The Crossnore School. Hours: Thur.-Sat., 9am-5pm. Contact: 828/733-3144 and 828/387-1695 or at (http://www.crossnoregallery.org/).

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Cullowhee

Fine Art Museum, Fine & Performing Arts Center, Western Carolina University, Cullowhee. Jan. 26 - May 25 - "Pat Passlof: Selections 1948 – 2011". A reception will be held on Jan. 26, from 4-6:30pm. In partnership with the Black Mountain College Museum + Arts Center, the Fine Art Museum presents this exhibit honoring the work of painter and accomplished Black Mountain College alumna Pat Passlof. The show will feature a selection of paintings by Passlof, representing over 60 years of her career, from her time at Black Mountain College to her most contemporary work as a central, though underrecognized, figure in the development of Abstract Expressionism. Ongoing - "Worldviews," featuring selections from the Permanent Collection and new acquisitions featuring regional, national and international artists' works in all media. Hours Tue.- Fri.,10am-4pm & Sat., 1-4pm. Contact: 828/227-3591 or at (http://www.wcu.edu/mu-

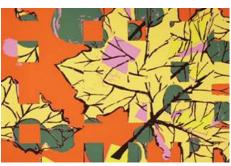
Durham

Bull City Arts Collaborative, 401-B1 Foster Street, Durham. Upfront Gallery, Through Jan. 28 - "Burlap: Agrarian Portraiture of Piedmont Farmers," featuring photographs by Raymond Goodman. Hours: Wed. 4-7pm; Sat., 10am-1pm; & 3rd Fri., 6-9pm. Contact: 919/949-4847 or at (www.bullcityarts.org).

Center for Documentary Studies at Duke University, 1317 West Pettigrew Street, Durham. Kreps Gallery, Jan. 23 - July 23 - "Full Color Depression: First Kodachromes from America's Heartland". A reception will be held on Apr. 19, from 6-9pm. Organized by Bruce Jackson (SUNY Distinguished Professor and UB James Agee Professor of American Culture), with Albright-Knox Curator for the Collection Holly E. Hughes, this exhibition will feature a selection of rarely seen color photographs from the Library of Congress' Farm Security Administration (FSA) photography collection. The exhibit will include works by Walker Evans,

Dorothea Lange, Ben Shahn, Russell Lee, and others, under the leadership of Roy Emerson Stryker - include some of the most recognizable images of rural and small-town America during the Great Depression. Hours: Mon.-Thur, 9am-7pm; Fri., 9am-5pm; Sat., 11am-4pm; & Sun., 1-5pm. Contact: 919/660-3663 or at (cds.aas. duke.edu).

Central Carolina Bank Gallery, The Durham Art Guild, Royall Center for the Arts, 120 Morris Street, Durham. Through Jan. 8 - "DAG's 57th Annual Juried Art Show," featuring works by DAG members. The Juror is Linda Dougherty, Chief Curator and Curator of Contemporary Art, at the NC Museum of Art. Hours: Mon.-Sat., 9am-9pm & Sun., 1-6pm. Contact: 919/560-2713 or at (www.durhamartquild.org).



Work by Martha Sisk

Durham Arts Council Building, 120 Morris Street, Durham. Allenton and Semans Galleries, Through Jan. 12 - "Our House: DAC School Annual Faculty and Student Exhibition," and "Heather Gordon's Hear & Now". Jan. 20 - Apr. 15 - "Screened: New Work by the Printmakers of North Carolina," featuring a collection of screen prints organized by Judy Jones. Exhibited artists include Aaron Wallace, Brandon Sanderson, Cary Brief, Cherish Gregory, Delia Ware Keefe, Denee Black, Shane Hall, Maury Beckman, Vidabeth Bensen, Matthew Egan, Heather Muise, Jovian Turnbull, Judy Jones, Kristen Lineberger, Kristianne Ripple, Martha Sisk, Soni Martin, and Jason Leighton. Hours: Mon.-Sat., 9am-9pm & Sun., 1-6pm. Contact: 919/560-2719 or at (www. durhamarts.org).

North Carolina Central University Museum of Art, 1801 Fayetteville Street, Durham.
Ongoing - Permanent collection focuses on African American art of the 19th & 20th century, including works by Edward Mitchell Bannister, Henry Ossawa Tanner, Romare Bearden, Jacob Lawrence, Elizabeth Catlett, and Norman Lewis. As well as more contemporary works by Sam Gilliam, Richard Hunt, William Artis, and Kerry James Marshall. Hours: Tue.-Fri., 9am-5pm & Sun., 2-5pm. Contact: 919/560-6211.

Perkins Library Gallery, William R. Perkins Library, Duke University, West Campus, Durham. Jan. 5 - Apr. 10 - "I Recall the Experience Sweet and Sad: Memories of the Civil War". To mark the sesquicentennial of the Civil War, this exhibit will showcase the memoirs of men and women who lived through it-Union and Confederate nurses, a former slave turned camp nurse and laundress, a southern woman married to a Union soldier, and a poet whose work as an army hospital nurse inspired some of his greatest works. The curators will highlight particular items of interest from the holdings of the David M. Rubenstein Rare Book & Manuscript Library to supplement the showcased memoirs, including song sheets, photographs, manuscripts, sheet music, artifacts, and maps. Hours: regular library hours. Contact: 919/660-5968 or at (www.library.duke.edu/exhibits).

The Nasher Museum of Art, Duke University Central Campus, 2001 Campus Drive, Durham. **Through Jan. 8 -** "Becoming: Photographs From The Wedge Collection". This exhibition brings together approximately 60 works by more than 40 artists from Canada, the United States, Africa and throughout the African Diaspora to explore how new configurations of identity have been shaped by the photographic portrait within the last century. Through Jan. 29 - "Land, Sea and Sky in the Nineteenth Century". Anchored by Alfred Thompson Brichter's painting "At the South Head, Grand Manan," an installation of land-and-sea landscapes from the permanent collection showcases the major landscape painting styles of the 19th century, particularly the Hudson River School, Tonalism and the Barbizon School. Through July 8 -"Angels, Devils and the Electric Slide: Outsider Art from the Permanent Collection". The Nasher Museum presents an installation of works from the permanent collection by Outsider artists, including Minnie Black, the Rev. Howard Finster, Jimmy Lee Sudduth, Mose Tolliver and Purvis Young. Also - Nasher Museum Café and Museum Shop. Admission: Yes, but free to Durham residents, courtesy of "The Herald-Sun" newspaper. Hours: Tue.- Sat., 10am-5pm; Thur. till 9pm; & Sun., noon-5pm. Contact: 919/684-5135 or at (www.nasher.duke.edu).

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