

NC Institutional Galleries

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US Mint to its founding as an art museum to the present and beyond. **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. Admission: Yes. Hours: Wed., 11am-9pm (free admission 5-9pm); Thur.-Sat., 11am-6pm; & Sun., 1-5pm. Contact: 704/337-2000 or at (www.mintmuseum.org).



Neil Choate Jones (1879-1981) "Georgia Red Clay", oil on canvas. Morris Museum of Art, Augusta, GA. 1989.01094

Mint Museum Uptown, Levine Center for the Arts, 500 South Tryon St., Charlotte. **Through Mar. 2** - "Kenny Nguyen: Adaptations". Adaptation is defined as "the process in which a living thing changes slightly over time to be able to continue to exist in a particular environment." Kenny Nguyen feels this process materialized within himself, his lineage, and his methodology of making. Born and raised on a coconut grove in the Bến Tre province of Vietnam, the artist lived a quiet rural life and later moved to the States at the age of 19. This dispersion from his homeland mapped a new internal geography—a subtle double-consciousness that the artist works with—traversing the spiritual and physical, the contemporary and historical. **Through Feb. 2, 2025** - "Southern/Modern: Rediscovering Southern Art From the First Half of the Twentieth Century." The first exhibition to present a comprehensive survey of works by artists working in the American South in the first half of the 20th century. Created in collaboration with Georgia Museum of Art, the exhibition includes more than 100 paintings and works on paper by artists working in states below the Mason-Dixon line and as far west as those bordering the Mississippi River, as well as some artists living outside of the region who made significant bodies of work during visits. Curated by the Mint's Senior Curator of American Art Jonathan Stuhlman, PhD, and independent scholar Martha Severens, Southern/Modern: Rediscovering Southern Art From the First Half of the Twentieth Century takes a broad view of the South and is structured around key themes that traverse geographic regions, including time and place, race, family ties, and social struggles. It also takes a broad, inclusive view of the art of the region, incorporating the creativity and talent of women artists and artists of color across its various thematic sections to provide a fuller, richer, and more accurate overview of the artistic activity in the American South at the time. **Craft + Design Galleries, Ongoing** - "Craft in the Laboratory: The Science of Making Things," is the first installation in the Southeast to explore how craft artists and designers use science and math concepts when creating works of art. Presented by Müller Corporation, Craft in the Laboratory also celebrates a reinstallation of the Mint's Craft + Design Galleries—the first since 2010. Co-curated by the Mint's Senior Curator of Craft, Design, and Fashion Annie Carlano and Assistant Curator for Craft, Design, and Fashion Rebecca Elliot, "Craft in the Laboratory" includes 100 works from the Mint's collection that are made from precious metals, wood, steel, polymers, and even agricultural waste, that emphasize the preciseness of science used to craft works of art. Made by nationally and internationally renowned artists, the objects are organized by material and subject throughout the galleries. **Now** - The Mint Museum's new four-story installation "Foragers" offers a transcendent experience while celebrating the tradition of women as makers and providers. Unlike anything ever seen at The Mint Museum before, Brooklyn-based artist Summer Wheat's "Foragers" is a monumental piece of public work of art spanning 96 windows, four stories, and 3,720 square feet at Mint Museum Uptown's Robert Haywood Morrison Atrium. The myriad of vibrant panels that give the illusion of stained glass and celebrates the tradition of women as makers and providers. "Foragers" is

part of a larger exhibition "In Vivid Color," which brings together four innovative contemporary artists—Wheat, Gisela Colon, Spencer Finch, and Jennifer Steinkamp—who create works celebrating the power of color and its ability to permeate the space around us. Their work is juxtaposed with a selection of paintings and works on paper, drawn primarily from The Mint Museum's permanent collection, which showcase artists' more traditional exploration of color. **Ongoing** - The Mint Museum Uptown houses 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: Wed., 11am-9pm (free admission 5-9pm); Thur.-Sat., 11am-6pm; & Sun., 1-5pm. Now Fri. till 9pm. Contact: 704/337-2000 or at (www.mintmuseum.org).



Work by Nicole Braswell

Pauline Dove Art Gallery, Central Piedmont Community College, located inside the college's new Parr Center, Charlotte. **Through Dec. 10** - "Catawba Cultural Center Exhibition". The Center works to protect and preserve the cultural heritage of the Catawba Nation. Central Piedmont Community College's Pauline Dove Art Gallery is pleased to present an exhibition featuring time honored and contemporary artistic techniques by Catawba artists. The Catawba Cultural Center in Rock Hill, SC, works to protect and preserve the cultural heritage of the Catawba Nation. This special exhibition features artists affiliated with the Catawba Cultural Center working in a variety of media, including: pottery, painting, drawing, photography, jewelry, and other creative techniques. Hours: Mon.-Thur., 10am-4pm or by appt. Contact: Follow us on Instagram and Facebook at Central Piedmont Arts or call Amelia Zytka, Senior Art Gallery Coordinator at 704/330-6847 or visit (<http://blogs.cpsc.edu/cpcartgalleries/>).

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 Photo Arts Center, inside the Visual and Performing Arts Center, 700 N. Tryon Street, Charlotte. **Ongoing** - The Light Factory Photo Arts Center is a vibrant, inclusive photographic center serving the Charlotte area by enriching our community through the creation, exploration, and sharing of photography. We engage with the community through the creation, exploration, and sharing of photography. Hours: Wed.-Sat., noon-4pm. Contact: 704/333-9755 or at (www.lightfactory.org).

The Sonia and Isaac Luski Gallery, at the Foundation for the Carolinas building, 220 N. Tryon Street, (old Montaldo's/Mint Museum of Craft + Design site), Charlotte. **Ongoing** - Featuring work on loan from Sonia and Isaac Luski including works by: Chuck Close, Lewis Jones, Herb Jackson, Mark Peiser, Richard Ritter, Richard Jolley, Harvey Littleton, Lino Tagliapietra and many more. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 10am-5:30pm. Contact: 704/973-4500 or at (www.fftcc.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).



View outside The Museum of the Cherokee People

The Museum of the Cherokee People, 589 Tsali Boulevard, Cherokee. **Through Feb. 28, 2025** - "sov-er-eign-ty: Expressions in Sovereignty of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians". This exhibition illuminates the complexities of tribal sovereignty and the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians' continuing legacy of resilience. In this exhibition, visitors will learn how, through adaptability and innovation, the EBCI has combated attempts to eradicate, remove, and assimilate its people and remained on the Qualla Boundary - 57,000 acres (0.00067661% of the original Cherokee territory) which is owned by the EBCI and held in trust by the federal government. **Ongoing** - Welcome to a sweeping history of the Cherokee Nation, engaging and oftentimes heart-rending, from ice age beginnings to present-day life and culture. In the brushstrokes of this fascinating heritage, you'll discover the warp and weft of treaties, the roots of a naturalistic language, artifacts of particular periods, great figures and heroes and entrancing stories of a civilization along with the Cherokee's distinctive values and ways of being in the world before and after "the Trail of Tears." The museum offers courses and workshops that combine scholarly content with voices of Cherokee people and experiences on the Qualla Boundary. A perfect place to begin exploration of Cherokee heritage and traditions is the Museum of the Cherokee Indian in Cherokee, North Carolina. Visitors are greeted at the entrance by a 20-foot hand-carved statue of Sequoyah, the inventor of the Cherokee alphabet. An interpretive site for the Trail of Tears National Historic Trail, this state-of-the-art facility traces the story of the Cherokee from the earliest inhabitants of the area 11,000 years ago to the present. An extensive exhibit of artifacts and photos is enhanced with computer-generated holograms and other imagery, sound, and special effects that leave a lasting and haunting impression on the visitor. The museum gift shop is rich in Cherokee tradition. Locally created baskets, pottery, wood carvings, decorated gourds and beadwork are among the art available for sale. Books on Cherokee history, culture, language, and genealogy line the shelves, along with audio CDs and tapes by local musicians and storytellers. Admission: Yes. Hours: Daily, 9am-5pm; closed New Years Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day. Contact: 828-497-3481 or at (<https://mci.org/>).

Columbia

Pocosin Arts School of Fine Craft and Contemporary Craft Gallery, 201 Main Street, Columbia. **Ongoing** - Arts School of Fine Craft is eastern North Carolina's premier hand-craft education center offering workshops, community programs, artist residences and gallery space. The Pocosin Gallery exhibits and sells work by current and former Pocosin resident artists, and students from around the country. Knowledgeable staff provides information about Pocosin Arts' programs, artists, studios and community involvement. The Pocosin Gallery in addition to Pocosin Art studios, lodge, and exceptional programming provides a unique destination for visitors. Hours: Mon.-Sat., 11am-5pm. Contact: 252-796-2787 or at (<https://pocosinarts.org/>).

Concord

ClearWater Arts Center & Studios, 223 Crowell Dr., NW, Concord. **Ongoing** - ClearWater Arts Center & Studios enables inspiration, creative expression and community connections through providing access to top-notch artists, their teaching and their works; as well as affordable space for working artists to build their practice and community, and for the community to hold private or public events and to gather. Hours: Wed.-Fri., noon-5pm; however, the Manager is usually onsite 11am-6pm most weekdays with some exceptions. Calling ahead, to be sure the door will be open, is recommended. Contact: 704/784-9535 or (www.ClearWaterArtists.com).

The Galleries of the Cabarrus Arts Council, in Concord's Historic Courthouse, 65 Union Street South, Concord. **Through Jan 11, 2025** - "Clay," their annual pottery exhibition sale. The works will encompass a wide variety of styles and glazes. Included will be both utilitarian and one-of-a-kind work. Participating potters



Work by Diana Hoover

include: Andrea Freeman, Maddison Graybill, Brett Beasley, Daniel Blumfield, Joseph Sand, Tom Budzak, Renata Cassiano Alvarez, Laura Cooke, Sharon Dowell, Casey Doyle, Joanna Henry, Diana Hoover, Dulce Mange, Jennifer Mecca, Samantha Oliver, Ashley Paskov, Julian Shen, Paula Smith, Grace Stott, Jim and Mary Weaver, and Abby White. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 9am-5pm. Contact: 704/920-ARTS or at (www.cabarrusartscouncil.org).

Cullowhee



Sandy Skoglund, "Fox Games", 1989, Cibachrome color print, 46.375 x 62.75 inches, Collection of the Lowe Art Museum, University of Miami. © Sandy Skoglund

Fine Art Museum, Fine & Performing Arts Center, Western Carolina University, Cullowhee. **Through Dec. 6** - "At the Table". A reception will be held on Oct. 3, from 5-7pm. At The Table, is inspired by Western Carolina University's 2023-24 campus theme of Community and Belonging and ties in with recent conversations in our community about the importance of having one's voice heard and being given a seat at the table. Featuring numerous nationally known artists, the exhibition brings together contemporary works of art from the 1980s to the present that explore ideas of community, power, and representation through their depiction or use of a "table." The exhibition features Works by Beth Lipman, Bob Trotman, Charles F. Quest, Cara Romero, Danielle Daniels & Amanda Ballard, Donna Ferrato, Elizabeth Murray, Faith Ringgold, Heather Mae Erickson, Hollis Sigler, Jacqueline Hassink, Joy Harjo, Narsiso Martinez, Faith Ringgold, Roger Shimomura, Sandy Skoglund, and Shari Urquhart. **Nov. 5 - Dec. 6** - "Bachelor of Fine Art Portfolio Exhibition". A reception will be held on Nov. 14, from 5-7pm. The 2024 Bachelor of Fine Arts Portfolio Exhibition highlights their comprehensive course of study at Western Carolina University and serves as a preface to their forthcoming careers as professional artists. The studio art portion of this exhibition can be viewed inside the WCU Fine Art Museum. **Ongoing** - The WCU Fine Art Museum is currently offering an interactive 360° virtual tour of the exhibition, "Cultivating Collections: Paintings, Ceramics, and Works by Latinx and Latin American Artists". This multi-year series of exhibitions highlight specific areas of the WCU Fine Art Museum's Collection, which includes over 1,800 works of art in a wide range of media by artists of the Americas. As the Museum's holdings increase, either through donations or purchases, it is essential for the Museum to evaluate strengths, identify key acquisition areas, and also pinpoint where significant change is needed. Throughout the fall more virtual events will be available, learn more at arts.wcu.edu/cultivatingcollections. Hours: Tue.-Fri., 10am-4pm & Sat., 1-4pm. Contact: 828/227-3591 or at (<https://www.wcu.edu/bardo-arts-center/fine-art-museum/>).

Dallas

Gaston County Museum, 131 W. Main Street, Dallas. **Ongoing** - Explore the art and history of Gaston County in our permanent and rotating exhibits. Admission: Free. Hours: Tue.-Fri., 10am-5pm & Sat., 10am-3pm. Contact: 704/922-7681 or at (gastoncountymuseum.org).

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