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Corrigan Gallery in Charleston, SC

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Tower Carolina Contemporary Collection. In spring 2008 she had a solo show at Wofford College and showed in Alabama. In 2009 she was part of *Contemporary Charleston* and showed in North Carolina and Georgia in 2010 and at Scoop Studios in 2011.

In its eighth year, Corrigan Gallery is the culmination of 24 years of experience in the Charleston art market. Representing more than a dozen artists in an intimate space, the gallery presents a new show almost every month and invites visiting artists at least once a year. Other gallery artists include Manning Williams, Richard Hagerty, Lynne

Riding, Sue Simons Wallace, Gordon Nicholson, John Moore, William Meisburger, Mary Walker, Kristi Ryba, Paul Mardikian, Kevin Bruce Parent and John Hull. Many of these local artists have established national careers and are included in museum collections.

A gallery of contemporary works exploring the depth and intellect behind the drive to create, Corrigan Gallery provides a depth to the historic city's traditional bent.

For further information check our SC Commercial Gallery listings, call the gallery at 843/722-9868 or visit (www.corrigangallery.com).

Charleston County Public Library Features Works by Martha Worthy

The Charleston County Public Library in Charleston, SC, will present the exhibit *The Language of Birds*, featuring paintings by Martha Worthy, on view in the Saul Alexander Foundation Gallery, located in the Library's Main Branch, from Dec. 1 - 29, 2012.

"The language of birds is very ancient, and, like other ancient modes of speech, very elliptical: little is said, but much is meant and understood," said Gilbert White, an 18th century naturalist.

Using equal parts imagination and observation, Worthy fabricates a world of mythical, archetypal birds - crows, pelicans, egrets and owls - juxtaposed with surprise elements taken from a variety of plants, animals and insects.

The exhibit features 15 original paintings, inspired by the rich bird life of the Lowcountry, as well as birds found in fables and myths. The mixed media works incorporate collage materials that include handmade paper printed with pictographs representing an ancient lost language. Textures and carved mark-making mimic fresco |



Work by Martha Worthy

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like surfaces, complimenting the luminous layers of color.

Worthy has lived and worked on Hilton Head Island, SC, for the past 30 years while maintaining a painting studio. She completed a BFA degree from the University of GA

and her work has been featured in *Southern Living* and *Coastal Living* magazines.

For further information check our SC Institutional Gallery listings, call the Library at 843/805-6803 or visit (www.ccpl.org).

COCO VIVO Fine Art and Interior Design in Charleston, SC, Features Works by Angela Trotta Thomas

COCO VIVO Fine Art and Interior Design in Charleston, SC, will present the exhibit *The Magic of Toy Trains*, on view from Dec. 7 - 31, 2012. A special invitation is extended to kids of all ages to experience the magic of toy trains this Christmas. Meet Thomas on Friday, Dec. 7, 5-8pm, during a special artist reception. Join our Jingle & Mingle holiday event and relive the memories of Christmases past.

Angela Trotta Thomas, official artist of Lionel Train Corporation, will exhibit a collection of original oils depicting nostalgic toy train art. An exciting COCO VIVO Christmas window scene will feature the Angela Trotta Thomas Signature Express 0-4-0 toy train set traveling through a holiday snowy village. Thomas's powerful images are a mixture of Lionel trains, childhood, and the holiday season.

Thomas's newer artworks draw less on personal memory than the trains as markers of a time period. She is creating still lifes that combine Lionel trains with period objects that evocatively freeze time. The very



Work by Angela Trotta Thomas

newest series completed this fall combines strategically chosen pages from mid 50's catalogs, Lionel trains of the era, and an old fashion family snap shot. The first three in this new series feature some of the most popular locomotives of the era, the Virginian Train Master, the Santa Fe and Texas Special F3s.

For further information check our SC Commercial Gallery listings, call the gallery at 843/720-4027 or visit (www.coastandcottage.com).

Charleston Artist Guild Features Works by Faye Sullivan

The Charleston Artist Guild in Charleston, SC, will present the exhibit *Soft Whisper*, featuring works by Faye Sullivan, on view in the Guild Gallery, from Dec. 7 - 31, 2012. A reception will be held on Dec. 7,

from 5-8pm.

The exhibition is a collection of oil paintings that combines the softness of pastels with the clarity and substance of oils. Faye

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