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non-profit, educational organization established in 1930 to cultivate the crafts and makers of the Southern Highlands for the purpose of shared resources, education, marketing and conservation. The Southern Highland Craft Guild is an authorized

concessioner of the National Park Service, Department of the Interior.

For further information check our NC Institutional Gallery listings, call the Guild at 828/298-7928 or visit (www.southern-highlandguild.org).

Asheville Art Museum On the Slope in Asheville, NC, Features Scholastic Art Awards

The Asheville Art Museum On the Slope in Asheville, NC, is presenting the *Western North Carolina Regional Scholastic Art Awards Exhibition*, featuring award-winning student artwork, on view through Mar. 4, 2018. All regional award recipients will be honored at a ceremony on Feb. 25 at 1:30pm in the Diana Wortham Theatre, followed by a reception at the Asheville Art Museum On the Slope.

The Asheville Art Museum and the Asheville Area Section of the American Institute of Architects are the Western North Carolina Regional Affiliates of the National Scholastic Art Awards, an ongoing community partnership that has supported the creative talents of our region's youth for 38 years. Additional support was provided this year by Base Camp AVL.

The WNC Regional program is open to students in grades 7-12 across 20 counties. The regional program is judged in two groups: Group I, grades 7-8 and Group II, grades 9-12. Out of nearly 730 total art entries this year, 256 works were recognized by regional judges Dr. Barbara Cary, Scott Lowrey and Pat Phillips. The judges carefully viewed each entry then selected Gold Key, Silver Key and Honorable Mention award recipients across all



Brooke Byrd, "Bessie", 2018, Drawing and Illustration, Silver Key, Grade 10, Watauga High School

media.

Regional Gold Key recipients' work will be sent to the National Scholastic Art competition in New York City.

For further information check our NC Institutional Gallery listings or visit (www.ashevilleart.org).

Pink Dog Creative in Asheville, NC, Offers an Environmental Exhibit

Pink Dog Creative in Asheville, NC, is pleased to announce *A Contemporary Response to Our Changing Environment*, a group exhibition of Pink Dog Creative artists, curated by artist Joseph Pearson, on view from Feb. 3 through Mar. 31, 2018. A reception will be held on Feb. 3, from

5-8pm. Meet the artists at the Collider on Feb. 9, from 10-11am.

The debate around climate change tends to dwell in the realms of science and politics rather than in the arts, yet creative solutions to addressing climate issues are

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needed. This exhibition will look at climate change through artists' perspectives and will share this perspective with the scientists and business leaders attending Climate Con, The Business of Change, by staging an associated exhibition at the Collider, a nonprofit innovation center focused on catalyzing market-driven solutions to climate issues, Mar. 19-23 at the Collider offices on the 4th floor of the Wells Fargo Building in downtown Asheville.

Jacque Lowe from the Collider said, "We're so excited to be connected with the Pink Dog artists and I know that be-

ing able to create this visual tie between our two worlds will bring a much needed connectivity to both the folks in our space everyday, and those visiting for Climate-Con."

Artists participating in the exhibit include: Joseph A. Pearson, Andrea Kulish, Deanna Chilian, Holly de Saillan, Karen Keil Brown, Lynn Bregman-Blass, Julie Miles, Jennifer Kincaid, Leene Hermann, Ralph Burns, Viola Spells, William Price, Christie Calaycay and Pat Phillips.

For further information check our NC Commercial Gallery listings or visit (www.pinkdog-creative.com).

Woolworth Walk in Asheville, NC, Offers a Sale of Seconds

Woolworth Walk in Asheville, NC, will present the *Seconds Sale*, featuring the fifth annual sale of seconds by Woolworth artists, some on view in the FW Gallery and through the store, from Feb. 1 - 26, 2018.

In the last several years, more and more of our local artists have participated in the *Seconds Sale* and because of its increasing popularity, we are excited to announce this shift of location to the more prominent location of the FW Gallery.

The *Seconds Sale* is full of slightly imperfect and discontinued items from our local artists in varying mediums. Seconds are pieces of art which don't quite live up to the artist's standards, often only the artist is aware of the imperfection. There are always prints, paintings, photographs, pottery, glass, jewelry, mixed media and fiber works to browse.

Come find a steal of a deal on handmade local art at Woolworth Walk's Seconds Sale, Feb. 1 - 26!

For further information check our NC Commercial Gallery listings, call the gal-



A group of seconds offered for sale

lery at 828/254-9234 or e-mail to (info@woolworthwalk.com).

Caldwell Arts Council in Lenoir, NC, Offers Works by Ron Schwartz, Chad Cole, and Dion Hitchings

The Caldwell Arts Council in Lenoir, NC, will present *Close to Home*, featuring works by Ron Schwartz, Chad Cole, and Dion Hitchings, on view from Feb. 2 through Mar. 29, 2018. A reception will be held on Feb. 2, from 5-7pm.

Ron Schwartz will present, *Landscapes Within Minutes of Lenoir*. He says, "I

have always had a strong connection to the outdoors and natural places. In these days where people are growing up spending much less time outdoors than each previous generation, it is important for me to extol the benefits and beauty of our natural surroundings in the hope that they

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