

NC Institutional Galleries

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ity of life by engaging people in a diverse array of art through the delivery of programming and education, and through the provision of facilities, advocacy, promotion, and funding. **Ongoing** - Picasso's Gift Shop, located in the Captain White House, promises unique finds of local, regional, and international art. The beautiful arts and craft items sold in the store help support the artist in the community. Featuring a wide variety of art, pottery and glass. Admission: free. Hours: Mon.-Sat., 9am-5pm. Contact: 336/226-4495 or at (www.alamancearts.org).

Albemarle

Falling Rivers Gallery, 330-N Second Street, Albemarle. **Through Mar. 15** - "Dwight J. Dennis Memorial Photography Exhibition & Competition". **Ongoing** - The gallery is a cooperative venue of the Stanly Arts Guild. Member staffed, this gallery offers the very best in local art and crafts including oil and watercolor, photography, pottery and ceramic art, jewelry, native American art, gourd sculpture and much more. Hours: Tue.-Fri., 10am-5pm; Thur. till 6:30pm & Sat., 10am-4pm. Contact: 704/983-4278 or at (www.fallingriversgallery.com).

Apex

Throughout the downtown area of Apex, Through Mar. 2025 - "4th Annual Apex Sculpture Walk". This exhibition offers works by established and emerging professional artists on display throughout the heart of beautiful downtown Apex. For further info visit (<https://www.apexnc.org/1642/Apex-Sculpture-Walk-2024-2025>).

The Halle Cultural Arts Center, 237 North Salem Street, Apex. **Main Gallery, Through Mar. 30** - "Egg in Nest Art Studio: Wild At Heart!". Join us for an enchanting art exhibition celebrating creativity and love! The young artists of Egg in Nest Art Studio will unleash their imaginations, showcasing vibrant works that incorporate hidden or prominent heart images. Explore, celebrate, and feel the wild heart within! Hours: Mon.-Fri., 9am-6pm & sat., 9am-1pm. Contact: 919/249-1120 or at (www.apexnc.org).

Asheville Area



Work by Kire Bursky

Asheville Art Museum, 2 South Pack Square at Pack Place, Asheville. **Mar. 7 - July 28** - "Flora Symbolica: The Art of Flowers". For millennia, humans and flowers have shared a rich, intertwined history, with flowers appearing in early burial sites and in medicine. Beyond their beauty, flowers symbolize love, purity, and rebirth. Showcasing the work of photographer and artist Edward Steichen, whose lifelong fascination with flowers deeply influenced his art, "Flora Symbolica: The Art of Flowers" explores these meanings in American art of the 20th and 21st centuries, highlighting the connections between art, nature, and human experience. **Appleby Foundation Exhibition Hall, Through May 5** - "Asheville Strong: Celebrating Art and Community After Hurricane Helene." will showcase work from artists who live and work in the Helene-affected Appalachia region. This special, non-juried exhibition will celebrate the strength and diversity of our regional arts community acknowledging the significant impact of Hurricane Helene on the lives of artists across Southern Appalachia. Asheville Strong features a variety of mediums, including painting, drawing, printmaking, sculpture, ceramics, and photography. Each work is accompanied by the artist's information, allowing viewers to connect and learn more about the creators. A reception and member preview will be held on Feb. 13, from 3:30-6pm. A special afternoon honoring artists and their families. A special afternoon honoring artists and their families will be held on Feb. 14, opening day (Included with Museum admission). On Mar. 15, from noon to 5pm: Community Day—Free community event celebrating the artists and the exhibition, featuring related tours, activities and entertainment for all ages. **The Van Winkle Law Firm Gallery, Through May 31** - "Anti Form: Robert Morris's Earth Projects". The

Asheville Art Museum presents Anti Form: Robert Morris's Earth Projects. The suite of lithographic drawings by Robert Morris presents a series of ideas for ten works of art shaped out of earth, atmospheric conditions, and built environments. Created in 1969, the series marks an important moment when artists began to reimagine what art could be. Morris was a pioneer in conceptual art working at the forefront of Minimalism, Process art, and Land art. He theorized and championed the work of art as an idea rather than a physical form, influencing generations of artists to come. This exhibition is organized by the Asheville Art Museum and Jessica Orzulak, Associate Curator and Curatorial Affairs Manager. **Debra McClinton Gallery, Through Mar. 31** - "Forces of Nature: Ceramics from the Hayes Collection". Ceramic artists throughout history have become masters of all four elements - creating clay from a mixture of earth and water to shape their work, drying it in air, and hardening it in fire. Throughout this process, the artist decides which aspects of the work will be tightly controlled, and when the elements can step in to leave nature's mark. This exhibition traces the historical, stylistic, and conceptual origins of work that either embraces or refuses the element of chance in ceramics, looking at modern and contemporary work made in Western North Carolina. The ceramics in this exhibition are all drawn from the robust collection of Andrew and Hathiya Hayes, who have been collecting important regional pottery and sculpture for decades. Through their close relationships with artists, they have brought together works that show not only the different aesthetics seen in the region, but also a picture of the ceramics community. Regional artists including Cynthia Bringle, Donna Craven, Mark Hewitt, Fred Johnston, Ben Owen III, and Norm Schulman will be on view, demonstrating the many different approaches to ceramics in this region. **Ongoing** - The Asheville Art Museum, the hub for 20th- and 21st-century American art in Western North Carolina, has re-opened to the public. The \$24+ million, state-of-the-art facility encompasses 54,000 square feet and adds 70 percent more Collection gallery space. For the first time in the Museum's history, it has the capacity to host major traveling exhibitions from nationally recognized museums. The expansion increases its physical space and dramatically increases its role as a community center, educational resource, economic engine for WNC, and cultural concierge for the region's residents and visitors. Admission: Yes and **Pay-What-You-Wish admission for visitors from areas affected by Hurricane Helene**. Hours: Tue.-Sat., 10am-5pm; Fri. till 8pm & Sun., 1-5pm. Contact: 828/253-3227 or at (www.ashevilleart.org).

Asheville Gallery of Art, Ltd., 82 Patton Avenue, across from Pritchard Park opposite the old location, Asheville. **Ongoing** - Featuring original works of art by 31 local artists in oils, acrylics, watercolor, pastel, encaustic, and prints. Hours: Mon., 11am-6pm & Fri.-Sat., noon-5pm or by appt. Contact: 828/251-5796 or at (www.ashevillegallery-of-art.com).

Black Mountain College Museum + Arts Center, 120 College Street, Asheville. **Through Mar. 15** - "The Farm at Black Mountain College". The story of Black Mountain College (BMC) has grown to mythical proportions since the liberal arts school officially closed its doors in 1957. Countless books, exhibitions, and artworks have been created to capture what it was like to live and learn at this singular college and to chart its unparalleled cultural legacy. But before this exhibition and accompanying book, nobody had written about the farm at BMC in any great detail. Built on more than a decade's worth of deep, original archival research, "The Farm at Black Mountain College" exhibition constitutes a deep new history of BMC. By focusing on the farm, the exhibition sidesteps the popular paradigm of approaching BMC through its famous faculty and students, and instead offers a new cast of characters, one that includes mostly students, women, and farmers. It spotlights the importance of collaboration, both on campus among students, faculty, and faculty families, and in the community with farmers and organizations in nearby cities and towns. Finally, the exhibition shows what happens when communal living is no longer communal, and offers a detailed account of the final dark days of the college, a dramatic and often dangerous story. **Ongoing** - An exhibition space dedicated to exploring the history and legacy of the world's most acclaimed experimental educational community, Black Mountain College. Hours: Wed.-Sat., noon-4pm or by appt. Contact: 828/350-8484 or at (www.blackmountaincollege.org).

NC Homespun Museum, next to Grovewood Gallery, at Grove Park Inn, 111 Grovewood Road, Asheville. **Ongoing** - This museum presents

a historical overview of Biltmore Industries, an Arts and Crafts enterprise once renowned for its hand-loomed fabrics. The museum showcases memorabilia including photographs, letters, artifacts, woven samples and tailored suits from the active years of the industry. Located on the historic Grovewood grounds, adjacent to The Omni Grove Park Inn. Admission is free (donations appreciated). Hours: Mon.-Sat., 10am-5pm, & Sun., 11am-5pm. Contact: 828/253-7651.

NC Glass Center, 140 Roberts Street, Suite C, Asheville. **Ongoing** - The North Carolina Glass Center is a non-profit, public access glass studio providing daily educational offerings & demonstrations. We are proud to represent the work of our artists and instructors in the NCGC glass gallery. Hours: Mon., Wed., Thur. & Sun., 10am-5pm and Fri. & Sat., 10am-6pm. Contact: 828/505-3552 or at (www.ncglasscenter.org).

Odyssey Co-Op Gallery, 238 Clingman Avenue, Asheville. **Ongoing** - Our Gallery features works by 25 local clay artists, working in a variety of styles to create functional and non-functional pottery and works of figurative and abstract sculpture. Hours: Wed.-Mon., 11am-5pm. Contact: 828/505-8707 or at (<https://www.odysseycoopgallery.com/about/>).

RADA Downtown Outpost, 24 N. Lexington Avenue, Asheville. **Ongoing** - The space donated by The Radical, is one of the River Arts District Artists' (RADA) first satellite galleries. The new gallery's space will be partially dedicated to studios from the upper RAD, like Pink Dog Creative and the Wedge building, while the other side will showcase displaced artists' work. There will also be information on the RADA Foundation and how people can support local artists. "We have a very long road ahead, but one that I think is hopeful, inspired, and invigorated," said RADA President Jeffrey Burroughs. Hours: Thur.-Sat., 10am-6pm and Sun., 11am-6pm. Contact: (www.riverartsdistrict.com).

Resurrection Studios Collective, 160 Broadway Street, former MOOG Music building, Asheville. **Mar. 7, from 5-10pm** - "Grand Opening". **Ongoing** - Asheville's newest creative hub - a dynamic space featuring the incredible work of Western North Carolina's talented artists across a variety of mediums. Featuring artist's studios, retail and exhibit space, and a rotating Pop-Up Space. Hours: Tue. & Wed., 11am-5pm; Thur.-Sat., 11am-7pm; and 1st Fri., open til 10pm. Contact: Heidi Adams at 828/713-2793 or e-mail to (heidi@resurrectionavl.com).

Southern Highland Craft Guild, Biltmore Village, 26 Lodge Street, former Biltmore Oteen Bank Building in Biltmore Village, Asheville. **Ongoing** - Featuring a wide range of work by members of the Southern Highland Craft Guild. including: pottery, glass, wood, jewelry, fiber, metal, paper, mixed media and natural materials. Hours: Mon.-Sat., 10am-6pm & Sun. noon-5pm. Contact: 828-277-6222 or at (www.craftguild.org).



Work by Wendy & Joe Edwards

Southern Highland Craft Guild at the Folk Art Center, Blue Ridge Parkway Milepost 382, Asheville. **Mar. - Dec., daily 10am-4pm** - The Southern Highland Craft Guild Offers Daily Craft Demonstrations at the Folk Art Center. The Guild invites the public to explore the rich tradition of handmade craft with its daily craft demonstrations at the Folk Art Center. Two Guild members - specializing in different mediums - will showcase their skills, offering an in-depth look at their craft. These free, educational demonstrations are open to all and provide a unique opportunity to engage with local artisans and learn about the techniques that bring their work to life. Visitors can watch the creative process firsthand, interact with the artists, and ask questions about the materials and techniques used. Educational materials will be displayed at each booth, allowing guests to deepen their understanding of the craft's history, significance, and impact. Attendees will also have the chance to purchase a one-of-a-kind piece directly from the artists, gaining a tangible connection to the craftsmanship that defines the region. **Folk Art Center, Lobby, Mar. 13 - 15, 10am-4pm** - Celebrate National Quilting Day at the Folk Art Center with free quilting demonstrations and quilt exhibit. Visitors can enjoy live quilting demonstrations, view antique quilts, and

learn about the history and artistry of quilting. **Folk Art Center Auditorium, Apr. 5, 10am-4pm** - "Glass, Metal, and Clay Day at the Folk Art Center". The day offers a free, hands-on event celebrating traditional craft techniques and inviting the Asheville community to connect with master artisans. This year's event combines the Guild's popular Glass & Metal Day and Clay Day, offering a unique opportunity to experience a diverse range of craft processes. Visitors can watch over a dozen Guild members demonstrate their skills in glassblowing, blacksmithing, metal-working, clay-making, and more. **Main Gallery, Main Gallery, Through Apr. 30** - "A Legacy Worth Noting". The exhibit highlights lifelong contributions of Guild members who have been honored with the prestigious Lifetime Achievement Award and Life Membership. This exhibit celebrates the contributions of these artisans who have influenced the field of craft and the Guild itself. Some of the featured artists include Cynthia Bringle, Edwina Bringle, Connie Brown, Curtis Buchanan, Douglas Dacey, Lee Davis, Anna Fariello, Jim Gentry, Michael Hughey, Lynn Jenkins, Susan Leveille, Greg Magruder, Barbara Miller, Sandy Rowland, Micki Shipe, Liz Spear, Lyle Wheeler, and many more. The exhibition highlights both traditional and contemporary craft, offering a diverse range of media, including pottery, wood, metal, fiber, and jewelry. **Permanent Collection Gallery, Ongoing** - "Craft Traditions: The Southern Highland Craft Guild Collection". The Guild's Permanent Collection is comprised of approximately 2400 craft objects and dates from the late 19th century to present. Beginning with a donation from Frances Goodrich in 1931, the Permanent Collection serves the Guild's mission of craft conservation and education. This new installation will feature over 200 works that highlight our holdings in traditional art: wood-carving, pottery, dolls, basketry, weavings and furniture. The subject of this ongoing exhibition is craft history - that of the Southern Highland Craft Guild and the Studio Craft Movement. Wells Fargo of Asheville has donated Hardy Davidson's Carvings to the SHCG's Permanent Collection. Hailing from Swannanoa, NC, woodcarver Hardy Davidson became a Guild Member in 1944 and was awarded Life membership in 1973. **Focus Gallery, Through Apr. 20** - "A Natural Influence," featuring works by Peggy DeBell (fiber), Katrina and Joe Miller (metal), Neil Carroll (wood), Daniel Shipman Baron (fiber-felted sculpture), and Wendy and Joe Edwards (jewelry). Hours: daily from 9am-6pm. Contact: call 828/298-7928 or at (www.southernhighlandguild.org).

Southern Highland Craft Guild on Tunnel Road, 930 Tunnel Road, Asheville. **Ongoing** - Work by members of the Southern Highland Craft Guild in various media. Hours: Mon.-Sat., 9:30am-5pm. Contact: 828/298-7903.

YMI Gallery, YMI Cultural Center, 39 S. Market Street @ Eagle Street, Asheville. **Ongoing** - "In the Spirit of Africa". Featuring traditional and contemporary African masks, figurative woodcarvings, beadwork, jewelry, and textiles. Discover the purpose of mask and sculptures, which reflect African ancestral heritage and learn to appreciate symbolism and abstraction in African art. **YMI Conference Room, Ongoing** - "Forebears & Trailblazers: Asheville's African American Leaders, 1800s-1900s". The permanent exhibit offers a pictorial history of African-Americans from throughout Western North Carolina. Photographs of both influential and everyday people create a panorama of the variety of life among blacks in the mountain region. Here are the young and old, the prominent and the unknown, the men and women who helped create our city's life. **YMI Drugstore Gallery, Ongoing** - "Mirrors of Hope and Dignity". A moving and powerful collection of drawings by the renowned African-American artist Charles W. White. **Entry, Ongoing** - "George Vanderbilt's Young Men's Institute, 1892-Present". Admission: Yes. Hours: Tue.-Fri., 10am-5pm. Contact: 828/252-4614.

ALTERNATE ART SPACES - Asheville **The North Carolina Arboretum**, Milepost 393, Blue Ridge Parkway, 100 Frederick Law Olmsted Way, Asheville. **Ongoing** - The Asheville Quilt Guild features a permanent, rotating quilt exhibit at Arboretum's Education Center. Visitors can also enjoy the Arboretum's Quilt Garden year-round, with plantings and patterns that change with the seasons. Admission: Yes. Hours: Education Center hours: Mon.-Sat., 9am-5pm. Contact: 828/665.2492 or at (www.ncarboretum.org).

Beaufort

Mattie King Davis Art Gallery, historic Rustell House of the Beaufort Historical Association, 100 Block Turner Street, Beaufort. **Ongoing** - The Mattie King Davis Art Gallery, Carteret County's Oldest Gallery, is housed in one of the Historic Site's oldest buildings and features over 100 local and regional artists. An extensive collection of fine art, pottery, crafts, and gifts can be found at this special gallery. Hours: Mon.-Sat., 10am-4pm. Contact: 252/728-5225 or at (<https://beauforthistoricsite.org/gallery/>).

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