

SC Institutional Galleries

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hometown of Charleston. Halsey was a pioneer of contemporary art in the Palmetto State, helping pave the way for other contemporary artists. **Through June 7** - "Face Jugs," a mini-exhibit located inside the South Carolina State Museum's antebellum history area. The face jug collection, focusing on 19th century South Carolina potters, showcases the skills and methods used by early craftspeople. The museum is working with independent curator and researcher Phil Wingard, along with archaeologist Carl Steen and the McKissick Museum at the University of South Carolina to show these works and related archaeological material, most of which will be seen for the first time by the public. **Through 2015** - "The Coming of the Civil War," will look at the origins of the disagreement between South Carolina and the federal government, beginning with the nullification crisis of 1832-33. The exhibit will be augmented by five more single-topic exhibits through the sesquicentennial war years (2011-2015) until the expansion space is filled. **The Crescent Café**, second floor mezzanine of the Museum. The house menu offers a variety of baked goods, juices, coffee, hot chocolate and tea. Lunchtime offerings include deli sandwiches and alternating daily soups, as well as grilled chicken salads and sandwiches. And let's not forget the house specialty: spectacular fudge, handmade on-site. Museum Hours: Mon.-Sat., 10am-5pm ; Sun., 1-5pm. Admission: Yes. Contact: call 803/898-4921 or at (<http://scmuseum.org/>).

ALTERNATE ART SPACES - Columbia area **Columbia Metropolitan Convention Center**, 1101 Lincoln St., Columbia. **Ongoing** - Featuring works by local artists throughout the convention center, including works by Mike Williams, Liisa Salosaari Jasinski, Tyrone Geter, Peter Lenzo, Jamie Davis, Tom Lockart & Mark Woodham, Angela Bradburn, Virginia Scotchie, Denise Dent, Sue Grier, Brian Rego, Heather LaHaise, Howard Hunt, Robert Campbell, Ernest Lee, David J.P. Hooker, Ralph Waldrop, Elena Madden, Debbie Martin, Blue Sky, Laura Spong, Jean McWhorter, Claire Farrell, Justin Guy, and Jonathan Green. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 9am-5pm; Sat., 10am-4pm & Sun., 1-5pm. Contact: 803/545-0001 or at (www.columbia-conventioncenter.com/phototour/phototour/).

Conway

The Rebecca Randall Bryan Art Gallery, located in the Thomas W. and Robin W. Edwards College of Humanities and Fine Arts Building, Coastal Carolina University, Conway. **Through Apr. 1** - "Amendments," featuring an exhibition of mixed-media, fiber-based sculptures and wall reliefs by San Francisco-based artist Marie Bergstedt. Buttons, embroidery, crochet, and many other textile techniques are used to create figures and artifacts from Bergstedt's life. **Apr. 8 - 19** - "Portfolio I," featuring works for the Graphic Design thesis exhibition. A reception will be held on Apr. 9 at 4:30pm. **Apr. 25 - May 9** - "Portfolio II," works from the Studio Thesis exhibition. A reception will be held on May 8, at 4:30pm. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 9am-5pm. Contact: 843/349-2711 or at (www.coastal.edu/bryanartgallery/).

Darlington

ALTERNATE ART SPACES - Darlington **Public Square on Main Street in Darlington, Third Sat. of the month, 9am-1pm** - "Market on Darlington Square". Farmers and nurseries will have a variety of trees, plants, flowers, and shrubs as well as local vegetables and strawberries. Under the shade of trees and the courthouse, shoppers can find a variety of hand-crafted items, baked goods, purses, perfumes, food and other goods as artisans, craftsmen, farmers and other vendors will be selling their wares as the market returns to the Public Square. The open-air market is a partnership between Darlington Downtown Revitalization Association, the City of Darlington and a dedicated group of volunteers. Contact: e-mail to (dvaughan48@bellsouth.net) or call 843/395-2310 or 843/395-0792.

Due West

Bowie Arts Center, Bonner St., Erskine College, Due West. **Ongoing** - Permanent Collections, 19th c. furniture, cut-glass, clocks and decorative arts. Also, 19th & early 20th c. music boxes & mechanical musical instruments. Hours: M-Th, 1-4:30pm or by appt. Contact: 864/379-8867.

Elloree

Elloree Heritage Museum and Cultural Museum, 2714 Cleveland Street, Elloree. **Ongoing** - Stroll Cleveland Street as it appeared in 1900 and delight in the recreated stores, bank and hotel; Explore the train station, logging and

butchering areas; Visit Snider Cabin, birthplace of William J. Snider, founder of Elloree; Learn about tenant farming and meet midwife Mary Ella Jones who was responsible for delivering many Elloree babies; Take a rest in the two-seater outhouse; Explore a plantation gin house with its original gin, cotton press, and mechanicals; Learn how cotton is grown, picked and ginned today; See the variety of horse-drawn plows, planters and cultivators that farmers used to work their land; Meet Ruby Doo and learn about the history of mules and the vital role they played in southern agriculture; and Visit the upstairs gallery for the latest show featuring work by local and regional South Carolina artists, a baseball exhibit, a postcard exhibit or any of a variety of changing exhibits. Admission: Yes. Hours: Wed.-Sat., 10am-5pm. Contact: 803-897-2225 or at (<http://www.elloreemuseum.org/>).

Florence

FMU Performing Arts Center, 201 S. Dargan Street, downtown Florence. **Apr. 11, 2015, noon-6pm** - "6th Arts International". Francis Marion University and the City of Florence will partner together to host the annual Arts International. Holding the event downtown promises to add a new dimension to this cultural event and involve additional venues. Through this collaboration the PAC and other adjacent areas will come alive with sounds of music, arts and culture from around the world. Arts International is a free family event that provides activities for all ages, including: FMU Music Industry Ensemble, Terris Roberts & Sumire Worman, Paulo Gualdi, Chinese Acrobats, Chief Kamu Fire & Hula Show, Stirling Bridge, Welding Sculpture Competition, FMU String Ensemble, Vocal Edition, Art Show, cultural displays, children's activities, and international food booths. For more information please contact Kathy Johnson at 843/661-1225 or e-mail to (kjohnson@fmarion.edu).

Art Trail Gallery, 185 West Evans Street, just around the corner from their old location on Dargon Street, Florence. **Apr. 2 - May 14** - "Floral and Fauna: Artists Inspired by Nature". A reception will be held on Apr. 9, from 5:30-7:30pm. **Ongoing** - Also the home of Alex Palkovich's sculpture. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 10am-6pm & Sat., 10am-3pm. Contact: 843/673-0729 or at (www.art-trail-gallery.com).



View from the Eastern Sierras

Florence County Museum, 111 West Cheves Street, across the street from the Francis Marion University Performing Arts Center, Florence.

Waters Gallery, located at 135 South Dargan Street, Apr. 10 - June 28 - "Legacy: The Ansel Adams Experience". A reception will be held on May 12, beginning at 6pm. The Florence Regional Arts Alliance is pleased to collaborate with the Florence County Museum and introduce a new exhibition in the Florence County Museum Waters Gallery. The "Legacy" exhibition, traces the influence and legacy of Ansel Adams in the work of 5 local women artists: Tari Federer, Kathleen Kennebeck, Elizabeth Kinser, Julie Mixon and Allison Triplett. In the Fall of 2014, Julie Mixon, Assistant Professor of Art at Francis Marion University, took the students featured in this exhibit to the Eastern Sierras of California for a trip she titled: "The Ansel Adams Experience". The project title references one of the most revered photographers of all time. In short, Ansel Adams was a pioneer in the world of photography, specifically in landscape photography. **Through Oct. 5** - "William H. Johnson: New Beginnings," features twenty one works from the life of Florence native, William Henry Johnson (1901-1970) selected from the collections of the Smithsonian American Art Museum, the Florence Museum Board of Trustees, the Johnson Collection, and a private collector in Denmark. This selection not only represents the range of distinct periods over the artist's prolific career, but it also offers a rare personal glimpse into the artist's relationship with the people and places of Florence, America, & Europe. In 1901, William H. Johnson was born in Florence, SC. At the age of 17, he traveled and studied in America and Europe, producing and exhibiting art that reflected the styles and attitudes of the world around him. Fearing the eminent onset of war in Europe, Johnson returned to the United States in 1938. Over the course of the next decade, his art transformed into the intense, "primitivist" style he is recognized for today. Both

vibrant and somber, these abstracted paintings depict the African-American experience from both a historical and personal perspective. Today the Smithsonian American Art Museum owns more work by Johnson than any other single artist. In 2009, two of Johnson's works painted during the artist's 1944 visit to Florence, were among those chosen by First Lady Michelle Obama as decoration for the White House. **Through Jan. 1, 2016** - "Selections-from-the-Wright-Collection-of-Southern-Art". This exhibition features thirty works from the Florence County Museum's recently acquired Wright Collection of Southern Art. In its entirety, The Wright Collection of Southern Art features 141 works collected over 45 years by former Florence pathologist, Dr. Louis Wright. The collection was developed around the recognition of Southern Art as a viable facet of American expression and cultural development. It encompasses art produced over a 153-year period, from 1852 to 2005. At its center is work by noted artists like Thomas Hart Benton, Alfred Huttly, Helen Hyde, Florence native artist, William Henry Johnson, Alice Huger Smith, Anna Heyward Taylor, Elizabeth O'Neill Verner, Palmer Schoppe, Mary Whyte, & Stephen Scott Young. **Community Gallery, Ongoing** - This exhibit introduces visitors to the history of the museum and its formative collections. This gallery also exhibits the histories and diversity of the City of Florence, and the incorporated municipalities of Florence County. Additionally, the Community Gallery communicates the lives, stories and accomplishments of significant past and present citizens of Florence County and members of its communities. This gallery is one of two permanent exhibit spaces designed by award winning exhibit design firm, HaleySharpe Design. **Pee Dee History Gallery, Ongoing** - This is the largest gallery space in the facility, comprising 3,300 sq. ft. of exhibit space. This permanent collections gallery occupies the entire second floor, east wing of the building. Artifacts are supported by historical images and narrative interpretation, giving a comprehensive introduction to the Pee Dee region from prehistory to the present. This gallery is one of two permanent exhibit spaces designed by award winning exhibit design firm, HaleySharpe Design. Admission: Free. Hours: Tue.-Sat., 10am-5pm & Sun. 2-5pm. Contact: 843/676-1200 or visit (www.flocomuseum.org).

Hyman Fine Arts Center, Francis Marion University, Florence. **Through May 9** - "Senior Show by FMU Visual Arts Majors". A reception will be held on Apr. 1, from 7-9pm. Senior shows are required of all students majoring in Visual Arts. These shows give students hands-on experience in selection and installation of artworks, publicity of exhibition, and external review by the University community and the general public. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 8:30am-5pm. Contact: 843/661-1385 or at (<http://departments.fmarion.edu/finearts/gallery.htm>).

Fort Mill

Fort Mill History Museum, 310 N White Street, Fort Mill. **Ongoing** - Our mission is to promote the collection, preservation, educational interpretation, and display of those artifacts, documents, and events most representative of Fort Mill, South Carolina - its pre-history and history, its people and institutions, and its cultural and economic development. Hours: Wed.-Sat., 10am-4pm. Contact: 803/802-3646 or at (www.fortmillhistorymuseum.org).

Gaffney

Cherokee Alliance of Visual Artists Gallery, 210 West Frederick Street, located in the former Old Post Office building one street over from the Main Street with the City of Gaffney Visitors Center, Gaffney. **Ongoing** - Featuring works in a variety of media by Cherokee County artists. Hours: Tue.-Fri., 8:30am-5pm & Sat., 9am-1pm. Contact: 864/489-9119 or e-mail at (cavagallery@yahoo.com).

Greenville

Downtown Greenville - "First Fridays," featuring a gallery crawl presented on the first Fri, of the month from 6-9pm. Visit galleries throughout the downtown area. For info: (www.fristfridaysonline.com).

Exhibition Corridor, Art Wing, Fine Arts Center, Bob Jones University, Wade Hampton Boulevard, Greenville. **Through Apr. 13** - "Graphic Design Seniors Art Exhibition". Featuring examples from the graphic design majors' senior portfolios and internships - a highlight of the graphic design program. **Apr. 15 - 16** - "American Association of Christian Schools Competition". This exhibition displays the work of art finalists competing in the American Association of Christian Schools National Arts Competition and includes the winners in each category for 2015. **Apr. 27 - May 8** - "Annual Art & Photography Contests," featuring an exhibition of juried entries from the annual student art and photography contests, featuring the three finalists in each contest. Hours: classroom hours. Contact: 864/242-5100, Ext. 2701 or at

(www.bjmg.org).

Greenville County Museum of Art, 420 College Street, Greenville. **Through Sept. 6** - "Sidney Dickinson and the Alabama Suite". Sidney Dickinson (1890 - 1980) studied with William Merritt Chase and George Bridgman at the Art Students League, where he later taught for more than 25 years. He exhibited extensively throughout the Northeast and was an active member of the National Academy of Design, serving as a jury member for a number of years before becoming a full Academician in 1927. **Ongoing** - "Grainger McKoy: Recovery Stroke". Grainger McKoy (born 1947) moved with his family at a young age to Sumter, South Carolina. McKoy attended Clemson University, earning a degree in zoology, while also studying architecture. After graduating, McKoy apprenticed for 18 months with the renowned bird carver Gilbert Maggioni in Beaufort, South Carolina. McKoy initially produced realistic carvings, but slowly began transforming these intricately carved birds into gravity-defying sculptures that played with form and space, while continuing to accurately render each species in detail. His work has been shown at the High Museum of Art, Brandywine River Museum, Brookgreen Gardens, and many other galleries. **Ongoing** - South Carolina Icons. Consider the work of three African-American artists from South Carolina, David Drake, William H. Johnson, and Merton Simpson. Their work echoes the stories of slavery, the struggle for equality, and the Civil rights movement. Admission: Free. Hours: Wed.-Sat., 10am-6pm and Sun., 1-5pm. Contact: 864/271-7570 or at (www.greenvillemuseum.org).

Lipscomb Gallery, South Carolina Governor's School for the Arts and Humanities, 15 University St., Greenville. **Ongoing** - We feature several exhibitions throughout each year - our own students and faculty, plus many guest artists. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 10am-4pm. Visitors are asked to sign in at the Administration Building's front desk before entering campus. Contact: 864/282-3777.

Metropolitan Arts Council Gallery, 16 Augusta Street, Greenville. **Ongoing** - Featuring works by Greenville area artists. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 8am-5pm. Contact: 864/467-3132, or at (www.greenvillearts.com).

Museum & Gallery, Bob Jones University, Wade Hampton Boulevard, Greenville. **Through Dec. 13** - "Golden Age of Painting in the Low Countries". Works in this exhibit are not from South Carolina's Lowcountry region, but a dynamic representation of northern European artwork from the 1600s! The exhibit includes works on loan from New York private collector Lev Grzhonko. M&G curator John Nolan describes "The Golden Age" exhibition as "a great opportunity for M&G and the Greenville community," and notes the historical significance of the paintings to Greenville, stating, "I'm not aware of any loan exhibit that has come to our city having such a diverse selection of artists and genres from the Low Countries during the late sixteenth and the seventeenth centuries." In addition, while M&G's collection of Dutch art is focused largely on religious subjects, Nolan observes "the Golden Age exhibition allows M&G to feature a broader spectrum of what else was happening in this era of creative genius." **Ongoing** - "Likely and Unlikely Pairings," featuring a fascinating juxtaposition of art and mundane objects revealing a variety of viewpoints. Through this special comparative display, the unique presentation serves as an engaging tool for all viewers interested in understanding the many facets of art, culture, and thought. **Ongoing** - Permanent exhibition of the finest collection of religious art in America, including works by Rubens, Botticelli, and Van Dyck. Offering visitors a 60-minute audio-guided tour of over 40 favored works for a modest fee. Hours: Tue.-Sun., 2-5pm. Contact: 864/242-5100, Ext. 1050 or at (www.bjmg.org).

Thompson Gallery, Thomas Anderson Roe Art Building, Furman University, Greenville. **Through May 9** - "2015 Senior Exhibition". Hours: M-F, 9am-5pm. Contact: 864/294-2074.

Centre Stage Theatre Gallery, 501 River Street, Greenville. **Ongoing** - Featuring works by visual art members of MAC. Exhibits are offered in collaboration with the Metropolitan Arts Council. Hours: Tue.-Fri., 2-6pm & 2 hr. prior to shows. Contact: MAC at 864/467-3132 or at (www.greenvillearts.com).

Whole Foods Market, café area, 1140 Woodruff Rd., Greenville. **Ongoing** - Featuring rotating exhibits of works by members of Upstate Visual Arts (changing every 60 days). Hours: Mon.-Thur., 8am-9pm; Fri. & Sat., 8am-10pm & Sun., 9am-9pm. Contact: 864/232-4433 or at (www.upstatevisualarts.org).

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