

Charleston Fine Art Dealers' Association Presents 7th Palette and Palate Stroll - July 13, 2012

The Charleston Fine Art Dealers' Association (CFADA) will give you a chance to find out what special ingredients make Charleston, SC, the #1 travel destination in the United States! On Friday, July 13, 2012, from 5:30 to 7:30pm, take pleasure in the historic city's finest indulgences on the Seventh Annual Palette and Palate Stroll, an evening dedicated to fine art, unique cuisine and wine.



Artists Shannon Smith and Jennifer Smith Rogers with an art collector from last year's event.

"Connoisseurs will stroll through the historic streets of downtown Charleston, making stops at the city's most prominent galleries, enjoying an array of breathtaking art, and indulging in fine cuisine prepared by Charleston's circle of prestigious chefs," says Helena Fox, president of CFADA.

The 2012 pairings are:
Corrigan Gallery – Barsa Tapas
Dog and Horse Gallery – Circa 1886
Ella W. Richardson Fine Art – BLU
Helena Fox Fine Art – Anson
Horton Hayes Fine Art – Oak
Smith Killian Fine Art – McCrady's
The Sylvan Gallery – Eli's Table
Wells Gallery – Social

"The theme for this year's event is

'Southern Art Paired with Southern Food,'" says Fox. "Each year, we encourage our participating restaurants to use local, seasonal products to prepare their tastings. In addition, the galleries will feature southern art or artists who will be present at the event."

The event is presented as part of the Charleston Fine Art Dealers' Association's Studio Series, benefiting visual arts programs at the Gibbes Museum of Art, Redux Contemporary Art Center and the College of Charleston School of the Arts. Cost is \$45 per person. Tickets can be purchased at (www.cfada.com).



Tastings from BLU at Ella Richardson Fine Art from last year's event.

Founded in 1999, the Charleston Fine Art Dealers' Association is the source of fine art in the South and consists of the city's prominent galleries. The association promotes Charleston as a fine art destination for avid collectors and passionate art enthusiasts and supports the artists of the future. Since 2004, CFADA has donated over \$250,000 to art programs at local art organizations and public high schools.

For further information check our SC Commercial Gallery listings or visit (www.cfada.com).

Citadel Square Baptist Church in Charleston, SC, Presents Artist on Fire for Piccolo Spoleto Festival

The Citadel Square Baptist Church in Charleston, SC, is presenting the exhibit, *Night & Day: The Sun Always Rises*, featuring works by members of Artist on Fire, through June 9, 2012, during the 2012 Piccolo Spoleto Festival. A closing reception will take place on June 9, from 6-8pm.



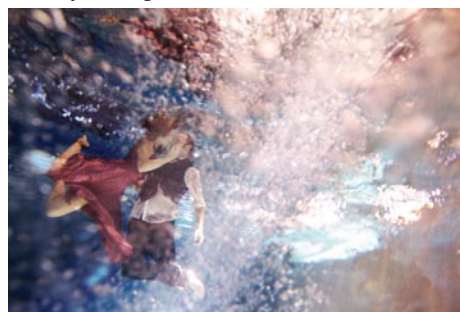
Work by Amelia "Mimi" Whaley

In a world with so much changing every day, it is nice to know that we can count on a few things. Spring comes after winter, and summer after spring; the cool days of fall then follow and lead us into the cold of winter. Over and over night turns into day, and day into night. The rains come after a drought and ocean tides rise and fall. There is a love that is true and faithful, though it may take some a lifetime to discover.

Fifteen artists and several musicians expound on this year's Artist on Fire theme through works in photography, film, installation art, sculpture, music,

and painting for their third annual Piccolo Spoleto showing.

Artist on Fire co-founders Alex and Sara Radin offer an encounter that displays an array of talent expressed through many layers and levels. If you don't leave the show inspired, dreaming new dreams, and seeing the beauty that is around you, then you may not have been looking closely enough.



Work by Mikayla Mackaness

"These visionary, young artists never fail to put together a show that appeals to and brings out the humanity in all of us," states Ellen Dressler Moryl, Piccolo founder and Director of the Charleston Office of Cultural Affairs. "They possess a wonderful talent to give every festival-goer a special gift to take with them for the rest of their lives. Their exhibit can make an optimist out of every viewer."

Featured artists include painters Alex Radin of Hanahan, SC, Laura Bostrom of Charleston, Austin Smith of Charleston, and Elianna Radin of Hanahan; mixed media artists Amelia (Mimi) Whaley of Mount Pleasant, SC, and Melanie Spinks of Charleston; photographers Kimberly (Kimmie) Krauk of Charleston, Mikayla Mackaness of Charleston, and Jeremy and Jacquelyn Hiott of Hanahan; sculptors and installation artists J.R. and Holly Kramer of Remark Studio in North Charleston, SC, Yuki Tong of Charleston, and Jan

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Bihlear of Monck's Corner, SC; and film producer Karen DeLoach of Summerville, SC.

The visual artists will be accompanied by musicians throughout the 16 day show at various times including Volcanoes in the Kitchen performing live during our finale. Volcanoes in the Kitchen, a folk/pop local singer/songwriter band includes Drew, Gabrielle, and Hannah Hadley, offering a unique and refreshing blend of sounds.

"With the oversaturation of information in our society today, we are always looking for new angles, for different views," states Artist on Fire co-founder Alex Radin. "Our hope is to present an experience that is thought-provoking, fresh, and unique."

Exhibit hours are: Mon. through Sat., from 11am to 6pm and Sun, from 2pm to 6pm.

All artwork will be available for purchase.

The Citadel Square Baptist Church is located at 328 Meeting Street, in downtown Charleston. The exhibit is located on



Work by Jeremy and Jacquelyn Hoitt

the third floor off of the Henrietta Street entrance.

For further information check our SC Institutional Gallery listing, call Alex or Sara Radin at 843/270-3137 or visit (www.artistonfire.com).

M Gallery of Fine Art SE LLC in Charleston SC, Features Works by Denise LaRue Mahlke

M Gallery of Fine Art SE LLC in Charleston SC, will present the exhibit, *Southern Dreams*, featuring works by pastel artist Denise LaRue Mahlke, on view from June 1 - 30, 2012.

Mahlke is known nationally for her works depicting the beautiful scenery across the United States. The show will be composed of pastel master works.

There is a quiet thoughtfulness and passionate purpose to the work of Mahlke. Her paintings convey a sense of restfulness and peace that reflects the spiritual connection she feels for the landscape she loves.

Mahlke believes that being an artist is a calling that involves preserving, celebrat-

ing, and sharing in God's creation. This sense of having a calling, a God-given purpose, motivates her to paint from the heart and challenges her to continue to sharpen her skills, understanding, and dedication. "There is always more to learn and I have a responsibility to put forth my best efforts in the spirit of thanksgiving and praise. The opportunity to reflect the creative ingenuity and love of the Creator through my work is a privilege and a joy."

Mahlke is a Signature member of the Pastel Society of America, and is also a member of Plein Air Austin and Central Texas Pastel Society. Her work has been featured in *American Artist*, *Pastel*

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