

# Artists Collective | Spartanburg, SC, Features Works by Logan Foster

Artists Collective | Spartanburg, in Spartanburg, SC, will present *Daydreamin': Love Is Blue*, showcases oils, acrylics by Logan Foster, on view in Gallery III, from June 4 - 29, 2024. A reception will be held on June 20, until 8pm, as part of Spartanburg ArtWalk.

Upstate artist Logan Foster, aka Divinity, welcomes those viewing her oil and acrylic works and poems into her daydreams to help them recapture feelings from childhood in her upcoming exhibition *Daydreamin': Love Is Blue*.

"This exhibition in particular is a meditation on my daydreams," Foster explains. "The color blue is usually seen in my work. Blue, for me, represents the essence of love and pain, being met with both in my life. I use acrylic and oil paints to form Black/indigenous beings so that we can be seen in our full glory."

"Each painting tells a story, all special and true in my heart," continues Foster, who has been an artist for just three years and a member of the Artists Collective since 2021. "Each piece is a gateway. I am welcoming the viewer into my mind, into my daydreams. My intention is that the viewer will be able to take a step back and remember what it felt like to have a childlike nature. I believe that we can access our dreams at any time. Being that I am a Pisces, I gravitate toward the unseen. My intention is to make those spaces visible."

Foster, a self-taught artist based in Spartanburg, combines poetry and painting together to guide the viewer through an experience of black culture. She says she works "to improve the representation of Black and indigenous peoples in American art. "I believe art is able to shift the conscious collective in a positive direction," she says.

She wants her works to "ignite a con-



Work by Logan Foster

versation. I also hope that the viewer feels some sense of humanity and playfulness throughout the show. One can expect to see a lot of blue in the exhibit, and I hope the viewer can see themselves in the work in some way. I hope that people are able to leave with a feeling of gratitude and an appreciation for dreaming."

The 15 works in the exhibition will be available for purchase, with prices starting at \$50.

"I am grateful to be exhibiting at ACS," Foster says. "I'm thankful for the support of my community. ACS has been a huge part of the development of my career as an artist. I have been able to receive so much support through the Collective."

The Artists Collective | Spartanburg, located on W. Main Street, provides a forum and home for the arts and creative population of Spartanburg, providing facilities and services to artist members for exhibits, performances and creation.

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# Arts Council of York County in Rock Hill, SC, Features Works by Doug McAbee & More

The Arts Council of York County in Rock Hill, SC, is presenting *Chain Reactions of Light*, featuring works by Doug McAbee, on view in the Dalton Gallery at the Center for the Arts, through June 7, 2024.

Using playful creatures as symbols for human challenges, McAbee's pieces carry a hopeful undertone, inviting viewers of all ages to engage with their whimsy. The imaginative creatures are used as stand-ins for the characters in McAbee's narratives, and his work focuses on the challenges that face all humans regardless of race, gender, or class. These issues are communicated through narratives and while the problems and dualities are acknowledged, there is always a sense of hope that we will overcome these challenges with kindness and community.

Doug McAbee learned to weld at age 7. While his imagination was running wild, his father began teaching him practical construction methods with wood and steel. The sense of play and exploration he valued then is still with him as he creates whimsical and organic drawings and sculptures.

McAbee earned his MFA at Winthrop University and works as Professor of Art at Lander University in Greenwood, SC. He lives out in the middle of nowhere with his family and their dogs and he creates drawings and sculptures when he's not teaching.

On view in the Perimeter Gallery is *BMX Invitational Art Exhibition*, on view through June 7. Experience the exhilaration of the cycling scene through artists' eyes. The *BMX Invitational Art Exhibition* captures



Work by Doug McAbee

the thrilling spirit of BMX as cyclists round the corners, race the straights, and jump the gaps.

Participating artists include: Mary Brown, Constance Buchanan, M.C. Churchill-Nash, Barbara Curry, Sarah Kennedy Irwin, Gerry King, Dr. Bradley Sabelli, and Deena Shuffler.

The Arts Council is headquartered in downtown Rock Hill, a state-recognized cultural district.

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