Pickens County Museum of Art & History in Pickens, SC, Features Works by Patricia Kilburg

The Pickens County Museum of Art & History in Pickens, SC, will present *Fire Dance: Encaustic and Mixed Media Work by Patricia Kilburg*, on view from Dec. 7 through Feb. 6, 2014. A reception will be held on Dec. 7, from 6-8pm. Exhibition of new paintings opens with a reception to meet the artist on December 7.

A studio artist residing in Greenville, SC, Kilburg has exhibited throughout the United States, and internationally through the Art in the Embassies program. Her work has been featured in several publications, including *American Craft*, *Sandlapper Magazine*, and *Magazine of the American Folk Art Museum*, NY. Her piece "Urban Mother and Child" was commissioned by the Women's Board of Rush/St. Luke's Hospital, Chicago, IL. She has exhibited at the Mint Museum of Craft + Design, Charlotte, NC, and South Carolina State Museum, Columbia, SC.



Work by Patricia Kilburg

Kilburg studied at DePaul University, Chicago, IL, Greenville County Museum School of Art, Greenville, SC, and Arrowmont School of Arts and Crafts, Gatlinburg, TN. She has been a regular participant in classes and workshops affiliated with the annual Quilt Surface Design Symposium, Columbus, OH. She further honed her skills in mixed media by participating in the annual Encaustic Artists Conference at Montserrat College in Beverly, MA, and related workshops.

Kilburg is a Member in Excellence of South Carolina Watermedia Society, and a member of IEA (International Encaustic Artists). In the spring of 2013 Kilburg co-organized an encaustic exhibit at Metropolitan Arts Council, Greenville,



SC which featured wor

SC, which featured works of 26 artists of the Upstate. She is currently teaching workshops in encaustic at her studio on Pendleton Street in Greenville.

When asked about her work, Kilburg said, "While exploring subject matter that interests me, I like to employ a variety of media. I enjoy working with paints, charcoal, fiber, pencil, inks and more. Recently I have been exploring the use of encaustic, the art of painting with wax. The practice goes back to the ancient Greeks, Romans and Egyptians, but today there are many new materials and tools available to the encaustic artist."

Kilburg continued, "A recurring theme in my work is the ambiguity of time and space. By employing architectural, historical, and natural images, and the use of symbols, I seek to suggest eternity, mortality, and the fragility of existence. I aim for complex texture and simple forms in my paintings, with "secret places" for the eye to go and the imagination to be triggered. There is a sense of mystery and ambivalence, where reality is momentarily suspended, evoking the viewer's own feelings and experiences."

Fire Dance is sponsored in part by Earth Design, Pickens Savings & Loan and South Carolina Bank & Trust. The Pickens County Museum of Art & History is funded in part by Pickens County, members and friends of the museum and a grant from the South Carolina Arts Commission, which receives support from the National Endowment for the Arts.

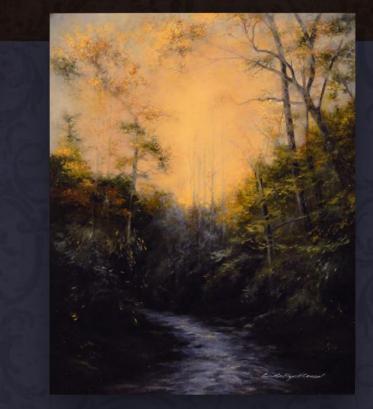
For further information check our SC Institutional Gallery listings or call the Museum at 864/898-5963.

Society of Bluffton Artists in Bluffton, SC, Features Gifts for the Holidays

The Society of Bluffton Artists in Bluffton, SC, is presenting *A Holiday Boutique*, featuring a collection of hand made treasures, artsy crafts and small paintings on display and available for purchase through Dec. 31, 2013. Look for holiday decorations, perfect hostess gifts

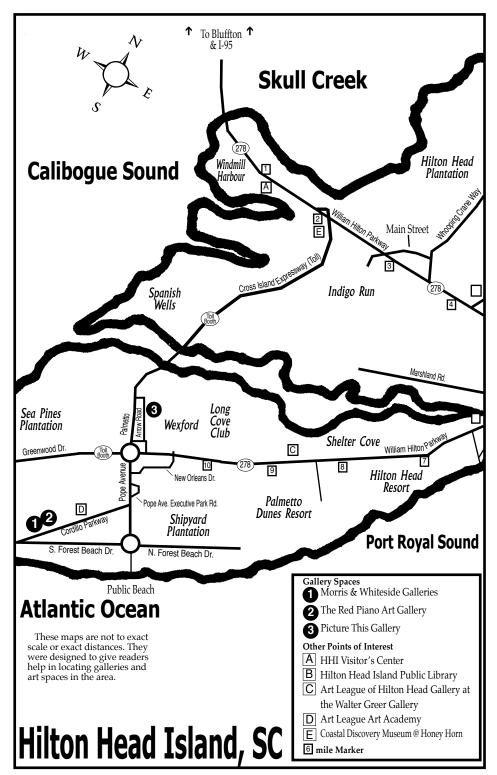


NOVEMBER 21st - DECEMBER 17th, 2013



Gollateral Swilight

523 W. Main Street | Spartanburg, S.C. | 864 - 585 - 3335 www.carolinagalleryart.com



and extra special presents for extra special people.

The Boutique will be in SOBA's brand new Center for Creative Arts building, next to the SOBA Gallery. In addition to the boutique, the space will be used to provide art classes for local school students during the school year and The Society's outreach programs which schedules speakers and workshops specializing in a wide range of art forms. Don't miss this first ever SOBA Holiday Boutique,

sure to be an annual treat, and check out the SOBA fall and winter class schedule while you're there!

For further information check our SC Institutional Gallery listings, call 843/757-6586 or visit (www.sobagallery.com).

Coastal Discovery Museum on Hilton Head Island, SC, Offers Quilts

The Coastal Discovery Museum on Hilton Head Island, SC, will present *Island Vibes*, featuring quilts by members of the Palmetto Quilt Guild, on view in the Hilton Head Regional Healthcare Gallery, from Dec. 9 through Feb. 28, 2014.

The focus of the exhibit is to celebrate the colors and life-style of Hilton Head Page 8 - Carolina Arts, December 2013

Island through quilts. The quilts in the exhibit are not traditional, yet they are colorful and vibrant wall quilts created by fabric artists. Art quilters create realistic or abstract art using fabric and then quilt it to create a three-dimensional effect.

There are six discussion/demonstracontinued on Page 9

Table of Contents