

NC Institutional Galleries

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Skyscrapers," featuring a permanent exhibition featuring interactive environments that trace the history of the New South from the end of the Civil War until today. Admission: Yes. Free on Sat. Parking: next door in Seventh Street Station. Hours: Mon.-Sat., 10am-5pm & Sun., noon-5pm. Contact: 704/333-1887 or at (www.museumofthenewsouth.org).



Models walk the runway during the finale of the Anna Sui spring 2004 collection shown in New Yorks Bryant Park, Wednesday Sept. 17, 2003. (AP Photo/Stuart Ranson)

Mint Museum Randolph, 2730 Randolph Road, Charlotte. **Through May 1, 2022** - "The World of Anna Sui," presenting 100 looks from the iconic designer's archive with a roll call of 12 archetypes that capture the Sui aesthetic. No other fashion designer captures the zeitgeist of a historic period, place, or artistic movement in such a timeless yet contemporary look as Anna Sui. She does so by designing the entire look - from dress to accessories, hair styles to makeup, and even sound and scent. **Bridges and Levine Galleries, Ongoing** - "Contemporary British Studio Ceramics: The Grainer Collection". Focused on the collection of Diane and Marc Grainer, this installation is a survey of contemporary British studio ceramics. Comprising functional and sculptural objects made between the 1980s and today, the show features work by artists either born or residing in Great Britain, including established "contemporary classics" like Gordon Baldwin and Rupert Spira, and cutting-edge ceramicists such as Julian Stair and Kate Malone. Several recently-gifted works from the Grainers are included. **Alexander, Spangler, and Harris Galleries, Ongoing** - "Portals to the Past: British Ceramics 1675 - 1825". The Mint Museum's collection of eighteenth-century British pottery and porcelain is widely respected for its scope and quality. The collection numbers over 2,000 objects and includes important examples of both salt-glazed and dry-bodied stoneware from Staffordshire; tin-glazed earthenware from Bristol, Liverpool, and London; and cream-colored earthenware from Derbyshire, Staffordshire, and Yorkshire. Notable eighteenth-century porcelain factories represented include Chelsea, Bow, and Vauxhall in London, Longton Hall in Staffordshire, Worcester, Bristol, and others. Individual works in the collection are exceptional because of their rarity, craftsmanship, provenance, or as representative examples of particular types or methods of production or decoration. **Ongoing** - "American Glass". The nineteenth and early twentieth centuries represented a time of extraordinary growth for the American glass industry. Such companies as Boston & Sandwich Glass Company in Sandwich, MA; Steuben Glass Works in Corning, NY; and Libbey Glass Company in Toledo, OH, began operation and soon developed notable reputations for producing fashionable wares that were coveted by many middle- and upper-class consumers. "American Glass" showcases objects by these and other American glass companies, illustrating the variety of forms and styles that prevailed during this period. Glass-manufacturing techniques will be another focus of the exhibition, with representative examples of pressed, cut, blown, and molded glass. Nearly all of the works on view are from The Mint Museum's permanent collection of glass, which is second in size only to the ceramics collection in the museum's Decorative Arts holdings. **Ongoing** - "Arts of Africa". The African continent is remarkable in its geographic, social, political, and cultural diversity. This impressive diversity is reflected in the visual arts through a variety of media and forms including ceramics, masks, textiles, sculptures, prestige staffs, and shrines. With exceptional loans from private collectors and The Mint Museum's own collection of African Art, the museum is pleased to announce the expansion of its presentation of Arts of Africa, thereby providing visitors a more in-depth, meaningful, and exciting overview of African art. **Heritage Gallery, Ongoing** - Feature works of art, archival documents, and photographs documenting the growth and evolution of the museum, from its beginnings as the original branch of the US Mint to its founding as an art museum to the present and beyond. **Ongoing** - "Art for the Millions: WPA Prints" and "Carolina Clay," featuring a display of colorful wares made between 1920 and 1950 as potters from NC adapted their works to a market economy. "Art of the United States,"

featuring contemporary works from the Mint's permanent collection, including works by Romare Bearden, Maud Gatewood, John Biggers Juan Logan, Tarlton Blackwell, Radcliffe Bailey, Kojo Griffin, and others. "Art in the Americas," featuring paintings, precious metalwork, sculpture, furniture and decorative arts from the 17th through the 19th centuries illustrate the unique culture that emerged from the Spanish colonization of the Americas. **Crosland Gallery** - Featuring a presentation of portraits with many fascinating images presented. **Rankin Gallery** - Featuring a presentation of the Romare Bearden Collection, including two "new" Beardens. **Delhom Gallery, Ongoing** - The European Collection of ceramic works. Admission: Yes. Hours: Wed., 11am-9pm (free admission 5-9pm); Thur.-Sat., 11am-6pm; & Sun., 1-5pm. Contact: 704/337-2000 or at (www.mintmuseum.org).

Mint Museum Uptown, Levine Center for the Arts, 500 South Tryon St., Charlotte. **Through Jan. 2, 2022** - "John Leslie Breck: American Impressionist." Inspired by The Mint Museum's 2016 acquisition of John Leslie Breck's canvas "Suzanne Hoschedé-Monet Sewing", this exhibition includes approximately 70 of Breck's finest works, drawn from public and private collections as well as the illustrious Terra Foundation collection of American art. Many of the works in the exhibition have not been on public view in more than a century. In addition to Breck's landscape-inspired works, the exhibition highlights his exploration of new styles and approaches to painting in the years before his early death at the age of 38. More than 10 related paintings by Breck's French and American Impressionist colleagues, including Theodore Robinson, Willard Metcalf, and Lila Cabot Perry, are also featured in the exhibition. **Level 4 Brand Gallery, Now** - "Silent Streets: Art in the Time of Pandemic," featuring work by Amy Bagwell, Stacy Lynn Waddell, and Antoine Williams. From the moment the Coronavirus pandemic forced people into their homes, art became a source of solace. When attention swerved from COVID-19 to a reckoning with the country's injustices and systemic racism, many artists folded this urgent consideration into their work. "Silent Streets: Art in the Time of Pandemic" presents works of art by local, regional, national and international artists who used art to survey and tackle the challenging times. From comic strips to abstract painting, the exhibition embraces the potential of all art forms to grapple with the most urgent issues of our day providing viewers with both solace and insight. The Mint Museum commissioned works by North Carolina artists Amy Bagwell of Charlotte, Stacy Lynn Waddell of Durham, and Antoine Williams of Greensboro for this exhibition. In addition to these original pieces, the exhibition includes: "As the Boundary Pulls Us Apart," a video work by Charlotte artists Ben Geller and Matthew Steele; "Pandemic Comics," a selection of nationally syndicated comics that threw out months of material to create new strips directly addressing the pandemic; and "Diary of a Pandemic", a photography collaboration between Magnum Photos and National Geographic presenting photographers from around the world who made images of their lives and landscapes during the pandemic. **Now** - The Mint Museum's new four-story installation "Foragers" offers a transcendent experience while celebrating the tradition of women as makers and providers. Unlike anything ever seen at The Mint Museum before, Brooklyn-based artist Summer Wheat's "Foragers" is a monumental piece of public work of art spanning 96 windows, four stories, and 3,720 square feet at Mint Museum Uptown's Robert Haywood Morrison Atrium. The myriad of vibrant panels that give the illusion of stained glass and celebrates the tradition of women as makers and providers. "Foragers" is part of a larger exhibition "In Vivid Color," which brings together four innovative contemporary artists—Wheat, Gisela Colon, Spencer Finch, and Jennifer Steinkamp—who create works celebrating the power of color and its ability to permeate the space around us. Their work is juxtaposed with a selection of paintings and works on paper, drawn primarily from The Mint Museum's permanent collection, which showcase artists' more traditional exploration of color. **Ongoing** - The Mint Museum Uptown houses the world renowned collections of the Mint Museum of Craft + Design, as well as the American Art and Contemporary Art collections and selected works from the European Art collection. The building also includes a café, a Family Gallery, painting and ceramics studios, classrooms, a 240-seat auditorium, a Special Events Pavilion with outdoor terrace, and an expanded Museum Shop specializing in crafts of the Carolinas. Admission: Yes. Hours: Wed., 11am-9pm (free admission 5-9pm); Thur.-Sat., 11am-6pm; & Sun., 1-5pm. Now Fri. till 9pm. Contact: 704/337-2000 or at (www.mintmuseum.org).

Projective Eye Gallery, UNC-Charlotte Center City Building, 320 E. 9th Street, Uptown Charlotte. **Through Feb. 18, 2022** - "Anthology: Work by Janet Williams". Williams, is an associate professor of ceramics, who retired from the Department of Art & Art History in 2021. Hours: Mon.-Sun., 9am-9pm. Contact: Crista Cammaroto, Director of Galleries at 704/687-0833, 704/687-2397 or at (<https://coaa.uncc.edu/>).

Rowe Arts Galleries, Rowe Arts Building, UNC-Charlotte, Charlotte. **Upper Gallery, Dec. 15 - 22** - "The Art of Teaching: Art Education BFA Exhibition". **Rowe Upper and Lower Galleries, Through Dec. 8** - Studio/Graphic Design BFA Exhibitions. Graduating students earning their Bachelor of Fine Arts in Graphic Design and 2D and 3D disciplines exhibit their final theses. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 10am-4pm. Contact: 704/547-3315.

The Civic & Cultural Arts Center of Pineville, 316 Main Street, right next door to "old" Pineville Police Station, Pineville. **Ongoing** - The CCAC is a 501(C)(3) non-profit organization offering a place where artist of every discipline have an opportunity to network and enhance their gifts. The CCAC is a gathering place for emerging and established artists of all ages to present, create and collaborate in giving life to their art, with a goal of embracing and promoting the artistic, creative and entrepreneurial possibilities available in our community through classes, workshops and on-going events and programs. Hours: Sat. 9am-1pm and most week nights from 6:30-9pm. Contact: call Lee Baumgarten at 704/889-2434, or visit (www.ccacpineville.org).

The Sonia and Isaac Luski Gallery, at the Foundation for the Carolinas building, 220 N. Tryon Street, (old Montaldo's/Mint Museum of Craft + Design site), Charlotte. **Ongoing** - Featuring work on loan from Sonia and Isaac Luski including works by: Chuck Close, Lewis Jones, Herb Jackson, Mark Peiser, Richard Ritter, Richard Jolley, Harvey Littleton, Lino Tagliapietra and many more. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 10am-5:30pm. Contact: 704/973-4500 or at (www.ftc.org).

Cherokee

Qualla Arts and Crafts Mutual, 645 Tsali Blvd., across from the Museum of the Cherokee Indian, Cherokee. **Ongoing** - Featuring basket weaving, pottery, wood carving, finger weaving, beadwork, stone carving and fine painting by members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. Artisans must go through a juried process to become affiliated with the organization and current membership stands at about 300. Hours: open daily, year round, with seasonal hours. Contact: 828/497-3103 or at (www.cherokee-nc.com).

The Museum of the Cherokee Indian, 589 Tsali Boulevard, Cherokee. **Ongoing** - Welcome to a sweeping history of the Cherokee Nation, engaging and oftentimes heart-rending, from ice age beginnings to present-day life and culture. In the brushstrokes of this fascinating heritage, you'll discover the warp and weft of treaties, the roots of a naturalistic language, artifacts of particular periods, great figures and heroes and entrancing stories of a civilization along with the Cherokee's distinctive values and ways of being in the world before and after "the Trail of Tears." The museum offers courses and workshops that combine scholarly content with voices of Cherokee people and experiences on the Qualla Boundary. A perfect place to begin exploration of Cherokee heritage and traditions is the Museum of the Cherokee Indian in Cherokee, North Carolina. Visitors are greeted at the entrance by a 20-foot hand-carved statue of Sequoyah, the inventor of the Cherokee alphabet. An interpretive site for the Trail of Tears National Historic Trail, this state-of-the-art facility traces the story of the Cherokee from the earliest inhabitants of the area 11,000 years ago to the present. An extensive exhibit of artifacts and photos is enhanced with computer-generated holograms and other imagery, sound, and special effects that leave a lasting and haunting impression on the visitor. The museum gift shop is rich in Cherokee tradition. Locally created baskets, pottery, wood carvings, decorated gourds and beadwork are among the art available for sale. Books on Cherokee history, culture, language, and genealogy line the shelves, along with audio CDs and tapes by local musicians and storytellers. Admission: Yes. Hours: Daily, 9am-5pm; closed New Years Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day. Contact: 828-497-3481 or at (<https://mci.org/>).

Columbia

Pocosin Arts School of Fine Craft and Contemporary Craft Gallery, 201 Main Street, Columbia. **Ongoing** - Arts School of Fine Craft is eastern North Carolina's premier hand-craft education center offering workshops, community programs, artist residences and gallery space.

The Pocosin Gallery exhibits and sells work by current and former Pocosin resident artists, and students from around the country. Knowledgeable staff provides information about Pocosin Arts' programs, artists, studios and community involvement. The Pocosin Gallery in addition to Pocosin Art' studios, lodge, and exceptional programming provides a unique destination for visitors. Hours: Mon.-Sat., 11am-5pm. Contact: 252-796-2787 or at (<https://pocosinarts.org/>).

Concord

ClearWater Artist Studios, 223 Crowell Dr., NW, Concord. **Outside, Through Mar. 2022** - Featuring works by members of the Tri State Sculptors Association. Hours: Wed.-Fri., noon-5pm; however, the Manager is usually onsite 11am-6pm most weekdays with some exceptions. Calling ahead, to be sure the door will be open, is recommended. Contact: 704/784-9535 or (www.ClearWaterArtists.com).



Work by Evelyn Ward

The Galleries of the Cabarrus Arts Council, in Concord's Historic Courthouse, 65 Union Street South, Concord. **Through Jan. 8, 2022** - "Clay: Annual Pottery Exhibition and Sale," sponsored by Uwharrie Bank. Exhibiting artists include: Blue Hen Pottery, Marina Bosetti, Danielle Carelock, Lori Clodfelter, Hannah Cupp, Deborah Harris, Susan Hendley, Sid Luck, Raine Middleton, Samantha Oliver, O'Quinn Pottery, Mandee Pritchard, Gretchen Quinn, Eamon Rogers, Joseph Sand, Kathy Spado, WEi Sun. Uwharrie Crystalline Pottery, Evelyn Ward, Jim & Mary Weaver, Curry Wilkinson, Hadiya Williams, and Jared Zehmer. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 9am-5pm. Contact: 704/920-ARTS or at (www.cabarrusartsCouncil.org).

Cullowhee

Fine Art Museum, Fine & Performing Arts Center, Western Carolina University, Cullowhee. **Through Dec. 10** - "Contemporary Clay 2021". Back for its next iteration at the WCU Fine Art Museum, "Contemporary Clay 2021", gathers artists from a variety of backgrounds who push boundaries on topics including race, culture, sexuality, gender, and class. Guest curated by Heather Mae Erickson, Associate Professor of Ceramics at WCU, "Contemporary Clay" surveys the ever-expanding field of American-made ceramics. The exhibition encourages viewers to consider the concepts, processes, and context of clay in contemporary art. Each artist, from emerging to established, is featured because of their noteworthy contributions to the field, including: Natalia Arbelaez, Eliza Au, Jeremy Brooks, Jennifer Ling Datchuk, Nicki Green, Beth Lo, Zemer Peled, Kyle and Kelly Phelps, Kate Roberts, Diego Romero, Ibrahim Said, José Sierra, Linda Sikora, Dirk Staschke, Linda Swanson, and SunKoo Yuh. More information about the series, exhibiting artists, and the exhibition can be found at (arts.wcu.edu/contemporaryclay). A full schedule of events and related zoom links will soon be available at the website above. Masks are required inside all WCU buildings, including Bardo Arts Center. **Gallery 130, Through Dec. 10** - "BFA Portfolio Exhibition 2021". This exhibition highlights their comprehensive course of study at Western Carolina University and serves as a preface to their forthcoming careers as professional artists. The studio art portion of this exhibition can be viewed inside the WCU Fine Art Museum. Participating Studio Art students include: Victoria Alexander, Lexie Castle, Amanda Clark, Erica Horn, Noelle Kelly, Skylar Owenby, Jordan Redden, Madi Rose, Zachary Schneider, and Aleaha Waldroup. Participating Graphic Design students include: Nanette Bollenbecker, Spencer Douglas, Francesca Gaza, Cameron Hagler, Bonnie Hammond, Katie McElhane, Kathy Michaud, Israel Morales, Christopher Morgan, Abigail Parker, Christina Perry, Hannah Presnell, Alex Stamouli, Zhane Strachan, Malcolm Thompson, Arturo Torrecilla, and Scarlett Young. **Ongoing** - The WCU Fine Art Museum is currently offering an interactive 360° virtual tour of the exhibition, "Cultivating Collections: Paintings, Ceramics, and Works by Latinx and Latin American Artists". This multi-year series of exhibitions highlight specific areas of the WCU Fine Art Museum's Collection, which includes over 1,800 works of art in a wide range of media by artists of the Americas. As the Museum's holdings increase, either through donations or purchases, it is essential for the Museum

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