

NC Institutional Galleries

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Hours: Mon.-Fri., 10am-5pm and Sat. & Sun., 1-5pm. Contact: 336/270-4998 or at (www.PointOfViewGallery.com).

Burnsville

Burnsville Gallery, Toe River Arts Council, 102 W. Main St., Burnsville. **Through Mar. 24** - "Kids Are Coming!," featuring works by the area's young artists. **Ongoing** - Featuring works by artists from Mitchell and Yancey Counties sponsored by the Toe River Arts Council. Hours: Mon.-Sat., 10am-5pm. Contact: 828/682-7215 or at (www.toeriverarts.org).

Cary

Throughout Cary, Mar. 30, from 6-8pm - "Cary Art Loop," featuring an evening tour of art spaces in Cary held on the final Friday of the month. Take the C-Tran to the Cary Art Loop! The free bus will make stops at Coffee and Crepes, Studio 180 Salon, Ashworth Village, Cary Arts Center and Page-Walker Arts & History Center/Cary Town Hall. Contact: (www.caryartloop.org).

Cary Arts Center, 101 Dry Avenue, Cary. **Cary Arts Center Gallery, Through Apr. 22** - "Catching Ourselves: Megan Bostic, Dawn Surratt, and Heather Lewis". As the result of a profound loss, grief is a natural, inescapable part of living. For these artists, grief has become an integral part of their lives, and in the way they create art. Their grief has also served as a catalyst: catalyst to make connections as part of the healing process, catalyst to create pieces that engage the public with uncomfortable topics and catalyst to give voice and visualization to their experiences. Catching Ourselves will explore how grief changes over time and how grief changes us over time. **Cary Arts Center Principal's Hall, Through Apr. 22** - "Seeing While Being Seen: Dancers in Action by Steve Clarke". Since becoming involved with photography in 1995, Steve Clarke has worked with dancers in action, practitioners of yoga, and other performers. His approach is interactive rather than documentary: his images involve collaboration and improvisation with the subject rather than documentation of previously-composed action. Clarke is particularly interested in exploration and discovery on the subject's part, stimulated by the presence of the camera and the feedback and perspective that it provides. Clarke's book of dance photographs, *Seeing While Being Seen*, was published in 2004 by the National Dance Association. Hours: Mon.-Thur., 9am-10pm & Fri.-Sat., 9am-11pm. Contact: 919/469-4069 or at (www.townofcary.org).

Cary Gallery of Artists, 200 S Academy St, Ste 120, Ashworth Square, Cary. **Ongoing** - The gallery offers high quality art in a variety of styles. Paintings, pencil and colored pencil artwork varies from traditional still lifes and landscapes to abstracts. Portraits of people or animals are available. Photographic work captures magnificent landscapes, small moments in life, portraits, and far away places. The pottery and clay art includes edgy handbuilt pieces, thought-provoking sculpted masks, and decorative and functional pottery that captures images of nature. Our jewelry artists provide a wide range of hand-crafted necklaces, earrings, bracelets and other ornaments from metals, stones, beads and fused glass. Our glass artist creates stained glass hangings, custom stained glass windows and fused glass art. You can also find unusual hand-made books and hand-painted porcelain both antique and new. Hours: Mon.-Sat., 11am-5:30pm. Contact: 919/462-2035 or at (www.carygalleryofartists.org).

Cary Senior Center, 120 Maury O'Dell Pl., in Bond Park, Cary. **Through Mar. 30** - "Rick Cornell - Senior Games in Photos, sponsored by Wake County Senior Games". Professional photographer Rick Cornell has been capturing the spirit and joy of the Wake County Senior Games for several years. Come see these events in an entire new way! When seconds matter, a photographer can grab the moment for all time. This photo exhibition will inspire you to become a part of these exciting competitions. Hours: Mon.-Thur., 9am-9pm & Fri.-Sat., 9am-6pm. Contact: 919/469-4081.

Herb Young Community Center, 101 Wilkinson Avenue, Cary. **Through Apr. 22** - "Michael Weitzman: Landscapes & Flowers". As a nature photographer, Mike's objective is to share with as many people as possible the beauty that surrounds us. His Herb Young show will feature many stunning landscape and flower images on metal and canvas. Six of Mike's photographs are in the permanent collection at Duke Hospital. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 9am-10pm; and Sat., 9am-6pm. Contact: 919/4604965 or (www.townofcary.org).

Page-Walker Arts & History Center, 119 Ambassador Loop, Cary. **Through Mar. 5** - "The Focus... A Black and White Perspective". Black & white photographs depict the essential elements of an image: subject matter, emotion, patterns, shapes, light and shadow. There is no color to distract or amaze. The members of The Focus have gathered some of their favorite black and white photos to demonstrate elements that make this genre of photography timeless. **Through Mar. 5** - "Rusty Sieck: Chicken Bridge Pottery". This Pittsboro, NC, artist specializes in handmade ash-glazed stoneware and porcelain pottery. Hours: Mon.-Thur., 10am-9:30pm; Fri., 10am-5pm; & Sat., 10am-1pm. (It is strongly advised that you call ahead about hours this space will be open.) Contact: 919/460-4963.

Town Hall Gallery, City of Cary Town Hall, 316 North Academy Street, Cary. **Through Apr. 22** - "Trey Moore: Outside In". Moore attributes his influences from German Expressionism artists and their painterly qualities. His work varies from landscape to still life to figure, though always derived from close observation of his surroundings. Other influences come from Impressionism, Post-Impressionism, and Abstract Expressionism. Moore started drawing and painting early in life. As a Wilmington native, his formal training began at St. John's Museum when he was in the fourth grade followed by the College of Design at North Carolina State University. Over the past twenty years, he has worked as a design and engineering instructor in the public-school system. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 8am-5pm. Contact: 919/469-4061.

Chapel Hill - Carrboro

Plaza at 140 West Franklin Street in downtown Chapel Hill. 1st & 2nd Fri. - Every Friday beginning in April we will host our Live and Local Music and Art Series at the 140 West Plaza. Our 2nd Friday events will include visual arts. 2nd Fridays are the Chapel Hill Downtown Partnerships Art Walk. For info visit (www.townofchapelhill.org).

Ackland Art Museum, UNC - Chapel Hill, Columbia & Franklin Streets, Chapel Hill. **Through Apr. 8** - "Becoming a Woman in Age of Enlightenment: French Art from The Horvitz Collection". While powerful conventional thinking in the 18th-century France assigned women to limited and secondary roles based on the presumed dictates of biology, some voices began arguing that women were the potential equal of men in intelligence, creativity, responsibility, and power. This exhibition shows for the first time how artists in the Enlightenment explored all sides of the debate surrounding "the woman question." **Through Aug. 31** - "Step Right Up," an outdoor installation by sculptor Patrick Dougherty. The Ackland Art Museum at The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill has commissioned its first major site-specific, outdoor art installation in nearly 20 years: a "stickwork" sculpture by Chapel Hill-based artist Patrick Dougherty entitled "Step Right Up". The large-scale work was constructed on-site over a three-week period, and is made entirely of tree saplings. It is on view 24/7 in front of the Ackland Art Museum. **The Collection Galleries, Through May 18** - "The Collection Galleries". In this beautifully designed installation, the Ackland presents a powerful and stimulating selection of over 260 works from its extensive permanent collection. **Museum Store Gallery** (Franklin and Columbia Street), Store hours: Mon.-Sat., 10am-5:30pm & Sun., noon-5pm. Museum Hours: Wed, & Thur., 10am-9pm; 2nd Fris. 10am-9pm; all other Fris., 10am-5pm; Sat. 10am-5pm & Sun., 1-5pm. Contact: 919/966-5736 or at (www.ackland.org).

New Location

FRANK, University Place, Chapel Hill. **Ongoing** - Featuring work from over 70 artists, Frank offers more than you'd expect from an art gallery. Frank is a collective, founded by the area's finest artists working together to open the door for creative innovation in the arts. Hours: Tue.-Sat., 10am-6pm & Sun., 1-6pm. Contact: 919/636-4135 or at (www.frankisart.com).

The ArtsCenter, 300-G East Main Street, Carrboro. **Ongoing** - Nurturing the arts in the triangle since 1974 through performance, education and exhibition. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 9am-9pm and Sat. 10am-5pm. Contact: 919/929-2787 or at (<http://artscenterlive.org>).

The Sonja Haynes Stone Center for Black Culture and History, UNC-Chapel Hill, 150 South Road, Chapel Hill. **Robert and Sallie Brown Gallery, Through Apr. 30** - "Aswurm With the Spirits of All Ages Here: Inconceivable Spaces of Slavery and Freedom". In the Spring 2018 noted Los Angeles based artist Toni Scott will bring her creative talents to the Stone

Center through a special installation project in the Robert and Sallie Brown Gallery and Museum. The installation project continues a line of inquiry and creativity Scott has pursued in successful shows in China and the Middle East where she intertwined histories of African American, Native American and Europeans in her own ancestry. The Brown Gallery welcomes her new exhibition entitled "Aswurm With the Spirits of All Ages Here: Inconceivable Spaces of Slavery and Freedom". The title is adapted from a passage of UNC at Chapel Hill professor Bland Simpson's memoir "The Great Dismal, a Carolinian's Swamp Memoir," about the Great Dismal Swamp, long understood to be a place of refuge for enslaved persons. In it Simpson notes the presence of spirits in a place long thought to be inhabitable: "This vast wild region is a place well fit for a grand gathering of ghosts, a place simultaneously aswurm with the spirits of all ages here, of fin, feather, and manflesh; nor am I exempt." Hours: Mon.-Fri., 10am-8pm. Contact: 919/962-9001 or at (<http://sonjahaynesstonectr.unc.edu/>).

Charlotte Area

North Davidson Arts District Gallery Crawl - From 6-9 or 10pm on the 1st & 3rd Fridays of each month. For info check (www.noda.org).

Uptown Gallery Crawl - From 6-8pm on the 1st Friday of each month.

South End Art Gallery Crawl - From 6-9pm on the 1st Friday of each month.

Bechtler Museum of Modern Art, Levine Center for the Arts, 420 South Tryon St., Charlotte. **Second Floor Gallery, Through July 8** - "ALFRED MANESSIER," an exhibition of paintings and prints by an artist who sought to create contemplative images where the natural and spiritual realms would converge, offering spaces for both respite and resistance. In addition to landscape-inspired paintings, the show includes Manessier's illustrations for St. John of the Cross' "Spiritual Canticles", Eugène Guillevic's "Cymbalum", and the elephantine portfolio "Presentation of the Beauce at Notre-Dame of Chartres". Born in 1911, Manessier moved to Paris in 1929 to study architecture at the École des Beaux Arts. He spent much of his time copying the Louvre's Rembrandts and Tintoretts and finally made a decisive switch to painting in 1938. Initially he followed the Cubists, constructing latticed compositions that incorporated the ordered structure of architecture. His style changed, however, as Europe inched closer to war. Manessier chose religious subjects because they seemed as elusive and vast as the natural world. Towards the end of his life, he reflected on his 40 years of painting spiritual themes, saying they "were at my fingertips and at the same time, infinite." **Ongoing** - The Bechtler Museum of Modern Art is named after the family of Andreas Bechtler, a Charlotte resident and native of Switzerland who assembled and inherited a collection of more than 1,400 artworks created by major figures of 20th-century modernism and donated it to the public trust. The Bechtler collection comprises artworks by seminal figures such as Alberto Giacometti, Joan Miro, Jean Tinguely, Max Ernst, Andy Warhol, Alexander Calder, Le Corbusier, Sol LeWitt, Edgar Degas, Nicolas de Stael, Barbara Hepworth and Picasso. Only a handful of the artworks in the Bechtler collection have been on public view in the United States. Admission: Yes. Hours: Mon., Wed.-Sat., 10am-5pm; Sun. noon-5pm; and open until 9pm the 1st and 3rd. Fri. of each month. Contact: 704/353-9200 or at (www.bechtler.org).

New Location

Charlotte Art League Gallery & Studios, 600 E. Sugar Creek Rd., Charlotte. **Ongoing** - CAL houses one of the area's largest collections of local professional and emerging artists, offering affordable fine art in a variety of styles and media: acrylics, oil, pastel, watercolor, mixed media, photography and sculpture, and fiber art. Tour studios of working artists. Admission: Free. Hours: Tue.-Thur., 11am-3pm; Fri., 5-9pm; Sat., noon-4pm; Sun., 1-5pm. Closed Dec. 22-Jan. 1. Contact: 704/376-2787 or at (www.charlotteartleague.org).

Davidson College, Belk Visual Arts Center, 315 North Main and Griffith Streets, Davidson. **Van Every/Smith Galleries at Davidson College, Through Mar. 3** - "Surrounded by Wolves," featuring works by Jen Ray and "Love is The Message, The Message is Death," featuring works by Arthur Jafa. **Mar. 15 - Apr. 15** - "Tyler Starr: Implementalist Papers". A reception will be held on Mar. 15, from 7-8:30pm. Starr is an Assistant Professor of Studio Art at Davidson College. He received his MFA from the University of Minnesota and his PhD in Studio Arts from the Tokyo University of Fine Arts where he was a recipient of the Japanese Ministry of Education Scholarship. In 1998, he was awarded a Fulbright Scholarship to study at the Academy of

Fine Arts, Krakow, Poland. He was a 2011 Grant Wood Fellow at the University of Iowa, a 2013 Christiania Researcher in Residence, Copenhagen, Denmark and a 2014 OMI International Arts Center resident. **Ongoing** - While on campus, be sure to take a tour of our Campus Sculpture. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 10am-5pm and Sat. & Sun., noon-4pm. Contact: 704/894-2519 or at (www.davidsoncollegeartgalleries.org).

Elizabeth Ross Gallery, Central Piedmont Community College, Central Campus, Overcash Performing Arts Center, Elizabeth Avenue and Kings Dr., Charlotte. **Through Mar. 7** - "About Face Charlotte". Central Piedmont Community College partnership with About Face Charlotte seeks to engage community through photography. The CPCC Ross Art Gallery is partnering with About Face Charlotte co-founders Hannah Blanton of Sozo Gallery and Scott Gardner, a videographer and photo-journalist for Discovery, National Geographic, History Channel and Animal Planet, to the college's Central Campus. **Mar. 21 - June 27** - "Felicia van Bork: color + color = space," in collaboration with Jerald Melberg Gallery. An Artist's Lecture will be offered on Apr. 13, at 3pm in Tata Hall. A reception will be held on Apr. 12, from 6:30-8:30pm, in the gallery. The works invite the viewer into the narrative space of the collages and the environmental space of the paintings. Hours: Mon.-Thur., 10am-2pm. Contact: 704/330-6211.

Harvey B. Gantt Center for African-American Arts & Culture, Levine Center for the Arts, 551 S. Tryon St., Charlotte. **Through July 29** - "By and About Women: The Collection of Dr. Dianne Whitfield-Locke and Dr. Carnell Locke." Dr. Whitfield-Locke and her husband, Dr. Carnell Locke, are avid art collectors and are also committed supporters of artists and African-American art institutions. The exhibition highlights selected works from their extensive collection which were either created by female artists or feature women as the subject. Like their larger collection, this exhibition represents a comprehensive history of art-making in general, and African-American art, specifically. Sculpture, sketches, oils, acrylics, paintings and collages fill the gallery. Masterpieces by pioneering women including Betye Saar, Camille Billops, Samella Lewis, Elizabeth Catlett, Emma Amos, Lois Mailou Jones, Faith Ringgold, and Augusta Savage headline the exhibition. The Lockes have also gathered work by E. J. Montgomery, Howardena Pindell, and Jacob Lawrence's wife, Gwendolyn Knight. Works by multi-media artists such as Robin Holder, Clarissa Sligh, Margo Humphrey and Alison Saar also appear in the gallery. **Through July 29** - "A Creative Journey: The Collection of Judy and Patrick Diamond," curated by Dr. Michael D. Harris. The collection began during a year-long residence in East Africa when the couple were fresh out of graduate school and has continued throughout their life together. Their metaphorical journey reflects the geographic journey of their lives from Boston, where they met, to stops in Tanzania, Williamstown, Massachusetts, Chicago, Charlotte and Atlanta. Featured artists include: Benny Andrews (1930 - 2006); Radcliffe Bailey (b. 1968); Romare Bearden (1911 - 1988); Tarleton Blackwell (b. 1956); Margaret T. Burroughs (1917 - 2010); Sam Gilliam (b. 1933); Richard Hunt (b. 1935); Jacob Lawrence (1917 - 2002); Hughie Lee-Smith (1915 - 1999); Juan Logan (b. 1946); Jeanne Moutoussamy-Ashe (b. 1951); Ben Parrish; Cedric Smith (b. 1970); Henry O. Tanner (1859 - 1937); Cheryl Warrick (b. 1956); Charles White (1918 - 1979); Hale Woodruff (1900 - 1980); and Richard Yarde (b. 1939). Dr. Michael D. Harris is an artist, scholar, curator and professor presently teaching at Emory University in Atlanta. As a scholar, Harris has published "Colored Pictures: Race and Visual Representation" (2003) and has contributed to or co-authored a number of other publications. He has had articles on contemporary African art and African-American art published in a number of books and journals. **Through July 29** - "Lillian Blades: Mirrors of Life." Picture frames, buttons, flowers, wood blocks, mirrors and other objects – random to some, but symbolic to Lillian Blades – represent both the artist's past and present. Far from chaotic, viewing her work yields an unexpected calm and sense of wonder. These images, like most of her mixed-media collages, incorporate an array of patterns using found objects that seem to float on planes of bright and dark colors with each object holding a special meaning to the artist – picture frames are about capturing memories; buttons symbolize the loss of her mother - a seamstress - and the desire to remain connected; flowers represent her grandmother and her aunt who were both florists. In addition, these objects are also subjective – leaving room for interpretation and self-reflection by the viewer. Lillian Blades was born in Nassau, Bahamas in 1973 and currently resides in Atlanta, GA. She completed a BFA in Painting at the Savannah College of Art

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