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McRay. A reception will be held on Apr. 12, beginning at 5pm. This is McRay's third solo at the Mims Art Gallery over the past twenty-two years. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 9am-5pm & Sat., 9am-noon. Contact: call 252/985-5268 or at (www.ncwc.edu/ Arts/Mims/).

Rutherfordton

Rutherford County Visual Arts Center & Gallery, 160 N. Main Street, at the intersection of W. Court St., Rutherfordton. **Ongoing -** Offering a changing exhibit of 2D and 3D art including oils, watercolor, scratchboard, calligraphy, fiber, wood, glass, pottery and fine craft by local artists/fine crafters. Hours: Tue.-Sat., 10am-3pm. Contact: 828/288-5009 or at (http://www.rcvag.com/).

Seagrove Area

Throughout the Seagrove area, Apr. 21 & 22, 9am-5pm - "10th Annual Celebration of Seagrove Potters Spring Kiln Openings and Studio Tours". The annual Celebration of Spring in Seagrove is a self-guided tour of individual pottery galleries, studios and workshops. It is held at participating shops located from the downtown city center and throughout the countryside. Over 55 local potters will host kiln openings, studio tours, demonstrations. Those attending will have the opportunity to win a gift certificate for \$150 that can be used at one of the participating Celebration of Spring shops. Pick up a card at one of the shops (or download it from the website), get it stamped in six shops and mail it back by May 5, 2018. Qualifying cards will be entered in a drawing, which will take place the weekend of May 15. This event is presented by the Seagrove Area Potters Association. Contact: (www.Facebook.com/CelebrationofSeagrovepotters) or visit (www.discoverseagrove.com).

Carolina Bronze Sculpture Garden, 6108 Maple Springs Road, Seagrove. Ongoing - The Carolina Bronze Sculpture Garden is a natural and landscaped area overlooking a beautiful 1.25 acre pond. A walking trail loops around the pond with benches and a picnic area along the trail. The Sculpture Garden collection consists of donated and loaned sculptures from emerging and established artists working in all 3D media suitable for the outdoors. There are currently 19 sculptures installed around the pond. The landscaped and natural areas have a focus on NC native plants and trees. As an extension of this park, a sculpture is installed in the downtown area of Seagrove. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 8:30am-4pm. Contact: 336/873-8291 or at (www.cbsculpturegarden.com).

Seagrove Area Pottery Center (Not the NC Pottery Center), 122 E. Main St., Seagrove. Ongoing - The former museum organization was founded twenty-five years ago in Seagrove, and is dedicated to preserving and perpetuating the pottery tradition. We strive to impart to new generations the history of traditional pottery and an appreciation for its simple and elegant beauty. A display of area pottery is now offered in the old Seagrove grocery building. Hours: Mon.-Sat., 9:30am-3:30pm. Contact: 336/873-7887.

North Carolina Pottery Center, 233 East Avenue, Seagrove. Through Apr. 7 - "The Last Drop: Intoxicating Pottery, Past and Present". This exhibition is a collaboration between the center, based in Seagrove, NC, the Chipstone Foundation of Milwaukee, WI, and "Ceramics in America". Lindsey Lambert, the center's executive director, notes, "Collaborating on this exhibition with the Chipstone Foundation and "Ceramics in America" is a wonderful opportunity and progression for the North Carolina Pottery Center as both are known for their high degree of scholarship and innovative thinking. Our participating artists are: Kim Ellington (NC), Dan Finnegan (VA), Michael Gates (NC), Bruce Gholson & Samantha Henneke (NC), Mark Hewitt (NC), Fred Johnston & Carol Gentithes (NC), Kate Johnston (NC), Roberto Lugo (PA), Senora Lynch (NC), Ibrahim Said (NC), Akira Satake (NC), Virginia Scotchie (SC), Mark Shapiro (MA), Malcolm Mobutu Smith (IN), and Richard Zane Smith (OK). Apr. 13 - June 15 -"Different Shapes: Sculptural Ceramics in North Carolina". A reception will be held on Apr. 13, from 5-7pm. The roots of North Carolina's long and rich pottery tradition lie deep in the creation of utilitarian ware for everyday life, but today's ceramics encompass much more, embracing a wide range of forms, styles, and technologies. Different Shapes is a celebration of the diversity of sculptural work that North Carolina's potters are creating now. **Ongoing -** Featuring permanent and changing exhibits on the history of North Carolina pottery, "The North Carolina Pottery Tradition" and "Seagrove Area Pottery". The Center also offers information on activities, maps and information about the potteries located in the Seagrove area and across the state. A display of representative works from more than 90 area potteries is also offered. Hours: Tue.-Sat., 10am-4pm. Contact 336/873-8430 or at (www.ncpotterycenter.org).



The petal kiln built by Andres Allik will fire Sunkoo Yuh's sculpture. At peak temperature, the walls (petals) of the kiln will be lowered while the sculpture is still on fire.

STARworks Center for Creative Enterprise, 100 Russell Drive, just seven miles south of Seagrove in Star. Apr. 6 & 7, 2018 - "Firefest 2018," featuring Sunkoo Yuh, Ethan Stern and Mac Metz. A 2-day festival celebrating the role of fire in the creation of art. Participate in workshops in clay, glass and metal, watch demonstrations, listen to artist talks and enjoy finale events involving fire. Live band, food trucks, beer garden on site. Special guest artists include metal artist Elizabeth Brim, ceramic artist George McCauley and glass artist Christopher Kerr-Ayer. Ticket Prices: Daily Pass \$5, Children 12 & younger admitted free. Hours: Fri., 1 - 10pm & Sat., 10am - 10pm. School House Gallery, Ongoing - The gallery features hand crafted glass and ceramic items. The gallery will feature work from STARworks staff artists. interns and resident artists, as well as local ceramic artists and glass artists from across the Southeast. Gallery Hours: Mon.-Sat., 9am-5pm. Contact: (www.starworksnc.org).

Siler City

Throughout Siler City, Apr. 20, 6-9pm - "Siler City Art Walk," featuring exhibits at many of the city's exhibit spaces, live entertainment, artist demonstrations, food, local wine or beer tastings, offered in town on the 3rd Fri. of the month. Hosted by the North Carolina Arts Incubator. Contact: 919/663-2072 or at (www. ncartsincubator.org).

North Carolina Arts Incubator Gallery, 223 N Chatham Ave., Siler City. **Ongoing -** Featuring the handcrafted work of over 30 Incubator and regional artists in a variety of mediums including painting, pottery, stained and fused glass, fabric art, cards, photography, wood, jewelry, metal, baskets and more. There is a broad range of items and prices. Hours: Mon.-Sat., 10am-5pm; & 3rd Fri., 10am-9pm. Contact: 919/663-2072 or at (www.ncartsincubator.org).

PAF Gallery, 223 N Chatham Ave., Siler City. **Ongoing -** A gallery featuring works by local and regional artists. Hours: 3rd Fri. 6-9pm. Contact: 919/663-2072 or at (www.ncartsincubator.org).

Southern Pines

Campbell House Galleries, Arts Council of Moore County, 482 E. Connecticut Ave., Southern Pines. **Apr. 6 - 27 -** "PALUSTRIS: Celebrating Longleaf Through the Arts," showcasing works by: Brady Beck, Linda Dalton, Sharon Ferguson, Janette Hopper, Diana Russ, Caroline Young and Nanette Zeller. A reception will be held on Apr. 6, from 6-8pm. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 9am-5pm. Contact: 910/692-4356 or at (www.mooreart.org).

Tryon

Tryon Arts and Crafts School, 373 Harmon Field Rd., in the old Tryon Middle School, Tryon. Gallery & Gift Shop, Ongoing - Gift Shop features juried works by regional artisans to selected work produced by our instructors and students. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 9am-5pm & Sat. 9am -1pm. Contact: 828/859-8323 or at (www.tryonartsandcrafts.org).

Upstairs Artspace, 49 South Trade Street, Tryon. Through Apr. 27 - "PERCEPTIONS AND REFLECTIONS," featuring works by Christopher Charles Curtis, Joel Edwards, Mark S. Holland and Ani Magai. Through Apr. 27 - "GUIDED LIGHT: Masters of Contemporary Photography. Through Apr. 27 - "JUNK & DISORDERLY," featuring works by Bobbie Polizzi. Hours: Tue.-Sat., 11am-5pm. Contact: 828-859-2828 or at (www. upstairsartspace.org).

Valdese

Valdese Heritage Arts Center, 146 Main Street West, Valdese. **Ongoing -** The center offers a great selection of unique gifts on exhibit and for sale, including, but not limited to original paintings, pottery, needlework, wood-carvings, hand crafted furniture, ceramic sculptures, stained glass, photography, jewelry, floral arangements greeting cards, quilts and home made soap. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 9am-5pm & Sat., 11am-3pm. Contact: 828/874-1849 or at (http:// vhac.webs.com).

Washington

River Walk Gallery and Arts Center, 139 W. Main Street, Washington. **Ongoing -** All work is done by local artists and has to be juried into the gallery. The gallery includes watercolor, oil, and acrylic paintings, photography, pottery, mixed media, fiber arts, jewelry, wood work, stained glass, and books written by local authors. Hours: Mon.-Sat., 10:30am-5pm. Contact: 252/974-0400.

Waynesville

Little Gallery on Church Street, 37 Church Street, Waynesville. Ongoing - Featuring montly exhibits by regional arts. Sponsored by the Haywood County Arts Council. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 9am-5pm. Contact: 828/452-0593, e-mail at (info@haywoodarts.org) or at (www.haywoodarts.org).



Work by Barbara Brook

The Haywood County Arts Council's Gallery 86, 86 N. Main Street, Waynesville. Through Apr. 28 - "Watercolor & Wax," features works by 8 wonderful local artists including Barbara Brook, Melba Cooper, Mary Decker, Joan Doyle, Jo Ridge Kelley, Chelsea Summers, Ann Vasilik and Maureen Simon. **Ongoing -** The gallery lends itself to showcase high quality fine art by local and regional artists. Hours: Mon.-Sat., 10am-5pm. Contact: 828/452-0593 or at (www.haywoodarts.org).

The Museum of North Carolina Handicrafts, 307 Shelton Street, corner of US 276 So. and Shelton Street, Waynesville. **Ongoing** - Featwise the headlance of North Carolina in the encountered emotions manifesting themselves physically in art. "I want the viewer to be able to associate the experience, and ultimately the art, with themselves." Hours: Mon.-Fri., 7am-11pm; Sat., 10am-11pm; and Sun., 1-11pm. Contact: 910/962-7972, 910/962-3842 or e-mail at (artgallery@uncw.edu).

Art Gallery at the Cultural Arts Building,

ground floor, corner of Randall Parkway and Reynolds Drive, UNC-Wilmington, Wilmington. **Apr. 12 - May 5 -** "Spring Senior Exhibition". A reception will be held on Apr. 12, from 5:30-7pm. This exhibition is the culmination of study in studio art. The exhibition is juried by the studio art faculty and mounted by graduating seniors. It is the capstone event for studio art majors. Hours: Mon.-Fri., noon-4pm (closed Fri. during the summer). Contact: call art dept. at 910/962-3440 or at (www.uncw.edu/art/gallery).

Expo 216, a Gallerium, located at 216 N Front Street, Wilmington. Through July 24 - "Contemplating Transcedence," an installation by Niki Hildebrand.Hildebrand is back with her glass installations, following last year's titled "Dreaming of the Lungs of the Earth". This new one now has 200 glass flameworked angel wings from earth tones to crystal clear glass. Ongoing - Expo 216 was founded by Linda Look and Wade Hughes in 2016 and is a "gallerium," part gallery and part museum, focusing on themes related to environmental and social issues. Hours: Wed.-Sun., noon-6pm. Contact: Brook Bower, Gallerium Manager by calling 910/769-3899 or at (www.expo216.com).

Hannah Block Community Arts Center, 120 South Second Street, Wilmington. Apr. 7 - 15 - "36th Annual Juried Spring Show and Sale," juried by Janette K. Hopper, and presented by the Wilmington Art Association. The official art show of the Azalea Festival. Hours: Apr. 7, 5-7pm; Apr. 8-14, 10am-5pm; & Apr. 15, 10am-4pm. Contact: e-mail Nancy O'Donohue at (nancy.odonohue@gmail.com) or visit (http:// www.coastalcarolinaclayguild.org/home).

Louise Wells Cameron Art Museum, @ intersection of Independence Blvd. & South 17th Street, Wilmington. Through July 8 -"State of the Art/Art of the State". Focusing on contemporary art by artists currently living in, or native to, the state of North Carolina. Artists bring a single work of art to be installed in the museum. During this timeframe, four curators from North Carolina institutions will be present to greet each artist and talk about their work. The design of this project provides any participating artist equal opportunity to meet a significant curator working in the field of contemporary art today. Through Aug 5 -"North Carolina Arts Council's Artist Fellowship Exhibition," featuring works of 17 contemporary artists. The artists participating in the show include ten visual artists, three craft artists, two film/video artists, and two choreographers - all were recipients of the 2016-2017 Artist Fellowship awards. Pancoe Art Education Center, Exhibition Cases, Ongoing - View some of the Seagrove and contemporary pottery from the museum's permanent collection in the cases. These include the works of resident artist Hiroshi Sueyoshi, Ben Owen III and Jugtown Pottery among other works. Admission: Yes. Hours: Tue.-Sun., 10am-5pm and Thur. till 9pm. Contact: 910/395-5999 or at (www.cameronartmuseum.org).

MC Erny Gallery, WHQR Public Radio, 254 N. Front Street, Suite 300, Wilmington. Through Apr. 13 - "Holding on to Tradition: A View of Changing Cultures, featuring works by photographer Barbara Michael and painter Evin Leek. The show features paintings, photographs and displays of traditional clothing exploring cultural changes in pre-war Yemen and post-war Guatemala. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 10am-4pm, Contact: 910/343-1640 or e-mail to (whqr@whqr.org).

Southport

Franklin Square Gallery, 130 E. West St., Southport. Ongoing - Works by members of the Associated Artists of Southport. Hours: Mon.-Sat., 10am-5pm. Contact: 910/457-5450 or at (www.franklinsquaregallery.com).

Sylva

Gallery One, Main Street, Sylva. Ongoing - Home of the Jackson County Visual Arts Association. The association has also offered workshops: including utilizing social media, book binding, drawing and art history. Exhibitions usually include paintings, photographs, sculptures and occasionally contemporary crafts. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 1pm-4pm and by appt. Contact: Tim Lewis 828/337-3468 or James Smythe 828/507-4248. turing the handicrafts of North Carolina in the historic Sheldon House. Hours: Museum hours change seasonally, call 828/452-1551.

Wentworth

Dan River Art Market & Gallery, 1122 NC Hwy. 65, Wentworth. Ongoing - The gallery offers art and craft by local artists and 6 gallery exhibits throughout the year, workshops and lectures. Hours: Thur., 10am-4pm; Fri., 11am-2pm; and by appt. Contact: 336/349-4039 or at (www.artsinrockingham.org).

Wilmington

Ann Flack Boseman Gallery, Fisher University Union, 2nd Floor, UNC - Wilmington, Wilmington. Apr. 5 - Aug. 10 - "Liberation of the Individual". A reception will be held on Apr. 5, from 6:30-8pm. An exhibit by UNCW Alum Hailey Black, this show takes an introspective tone when dealing with conflicting emotions and thoughts throughout the different mediums, which include steel, fabric, paper, and black ink on watercolor. Though the paintings, sculptures, fabric collage, and installation featured are abstract, the pieces will be part of a larger and more private narrative of a person and their

ALTERNATE ART SPACES - Wilmington Airlie Gardens, 300 Airlie Road, Wilmington. Ongoing - Located two miles west of Wrightsville Beach in Wilmington, North Carolina, Airlie Gardens encompasses 67 acres of walking paths, a freshwater lake, and formal gardens that showcase seasonal blooms, mighty live oaks. historic structures, and contemporary sculpture. Airlie is a member of the North Carolina Birding Trail, and it's diverse ecosystems provide unique habitats for a variety of colorful wildlife. Discover what makes Airlie Gardens a premiere garden of the South and a prime destination spot for garden and nature lovers from around the world. Come discover the beauty. Admission: Yes. Hours: Open 7-days a week 9am-5pm. Contact: 910/798-7700 or at (www.airliegardens.org).

The Bellamy Mansion Museum, 503 Market Street, Wilmington. **Through Apr. 30 -** "Searching for Beauty on Sea & Land," featuring works by Elaine Rogers Cooper. Hours: Tue.-Sat., 10am-5pm & Sun., 1-5pm. Contact: 910/251-3700 or at (www.bellamymansion.org).

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