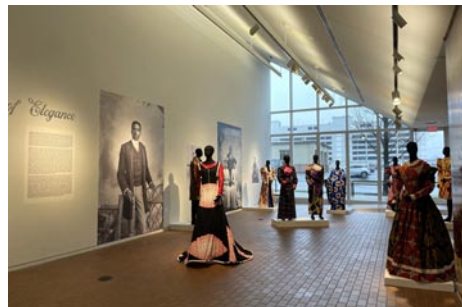


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most prestigious program for creative teens in the US and the nation's largest source of scholarships for young artists and writers. A noteworthy roster of past winners includes Andy Warhol, Sylvia Plath, Truman Capote, Richard Avedon, Robert Redford, Joyce Carol Oates, Stephen King, and John Updike. Celebrate young creatives in this installation showcasing talented students from 27 counties in the Mid-Carolina region in North and South Carolina. The Mid-Carolina Region of the Scholastic Art Awards is administered by the College of Arts + Architecture at UNC Charlotte. **Through Apr. 14** - "The Art of Seating: 200 Years of American Design," drawn from the rich holdings of the Thomas H. and Diane DeMell Jacobsen Ph.D. Foundation provides a rare opportunity to survey the history of American craftsmanship and ingenuity, seen through the lens of seating furniture. Featuring many of the most iconic designs and designers from the past two centuries, The Art of Seating encourages visitors to reconsider objects that are a ubiquitous and often overlooked part of our everyday lives, seeing chairs as not just functional objects, but as works of art in their own right. At the same time, the objects in the exhibition also have stories to tell about the history of our country, ranging from the contributions of immigrants to changing tastes in style and aesthetics to new innovations in technology and materials. **Through May 5** - "Craft Across Continents | Contemporary Japanese and Western Objects: The Lassiter/Ferraro Collection". The exhibition features more than 50 objects from the private collection of Lorne Lassiter and Gary Ferraro. Lassiter and Ferraro say they collect for the fun of it - visiting artists' studios, art fairs, galleries and museums here and abroad - but they are serious-minded collectors with a deep knowledge of contemporary craft. The exhibition will be presented in a domestic-like setting to underscore the theme of enjoying life through living with art. The exhibition will include glass, ceramics, bamboo, and textile contemporary objects by artists from around the globe, including masterworks of glass sculpture from the Czech Republic, a seminal installation by Danish maker Tobias Møhl, and a mobile by Polish-trained artist Anna Skibska, and spectacular large glazed ceramic vessel by British maker Gareth Mason. Twenty-first century Japanese bamboo works by leading practitioners and innovative wood-fired ceramics also are highlights of the collection. **Craft + Design Galleries, Ongoing** - "Craft in the Laboratory: The Science of Making Things," is the first installation in the Southeast to explore how craft artists and designers use science and math concepts when creating works of art. Presented by Müller Corporation, Craft in the Laboratory also celebrates a reinstallation of the Mint's Craft + Design Galleries—the first since 2010. Co-curated by the Mint's Senior Curator of Craft, Design, and Fashion Annie Carlano and Assistant Curator for Craft, Design, and Fashion Rebecca Elliot, "Craft in the Laboratory" includes 100 works from the Mint's collection that are made from precious metals, wood, steel, polymers, and even agricultural waste, that emphasize the preciseness of science used to craft works of art. Made by nationally and internationally renowned artists, the objects are organized by material and subject throughout the galleries. **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).

Pauline Dove Art Gallery, Central Piedmont Community College, located inside the college's new Parr Center, Charlotte. **Apr. 1 - May 10** - "2024 Annual Juried Student Art Show," juried by Marge Loudon Moody. A reception and awards ceremony will be held on Apr. 12, from 5-7pm. Each year, Central Piedmont Community College's Visual Arts Department hosts the "Annual Juried Student Art Show," recognizing student works in ceramics, 2D and 3D design, drawing, jewelry, painting, photography, printmaking and sculpture. Students who have works featured in the show receive a variety of awards, ranging from the Presidential Purchase Award; Foundation Purchase Award; first, second, and third place awards; along with a variety of others. Each year, select student artwork is chosen for this celebratory exhibition to showcase our Visual Arts students' work completed in their studio classes. Hours: Mon.-Thur., 10am-4pm or by appt. Contact: Follow us on Instagram and Facebook at Central Piedmont Arts or call Amelia Zytka, Senior Art Gallery Coordinator at 704/330-6847 or visit (<http://blogs.cpcc.edu/cpccartgalleries/>).



View of the "A Legacy of Elegance" exhibit

Projective Eye Gallery, UNC-Charlotte Center City Building, 320 E. 9th Street, Uptown Charlotte. **Through July 16** - "A Legacy of Elegance". A reception will be held on Apr. 4, from 6-8pm. The exhibition places twelve historically-inspired costumes by fiber artist, Margarete Joyner, in conversation with archival portraiture from the 19th century, curated by Kimberly Annece Henderson. Drawing upon trends in formal attire spanning several centuries, Joyner merges traditional and contemporary African textiles with cowry shell embellishments; thus, reimagining high-society garments iconography of cultural significance across many African-descended populations. The interwoven narrative of fashioned textiles and early-format photography pays homage to a rich legacy of self-expression through dress, connecting visual histories past and present. Hours: Mon.-Sun., 9am-9pm. Contact: Crista Cammaroto, Director of Galleries at 704/687-0833, 704/687-2397 or at (<https://coaa.uncc.edu/>).

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.fft.org).

ALTERNATE ART SPACES - Charlotte **Daniel Stowe Botanical Gardens**, 6500 South New Hope Road, Belmont. **Through Apr. 12** - "A Natural View," the 2024 juried art exhibit by members of the Gaston County Art Guild. Hours: Tue.-Sun., 10am-4pm. Contact: 704/825-4490 or at (dbsbg.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).



A robe in the "sov-er-ign-ty" exhibition

The Museum of the Cherokee People, 589 Tsali Boulevard, Cherokee. **Through Feb. 28, 2025** - "sov-er-ign-ty: Expressions in Sovereignty of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians". This exhibition illuminates the complexities of tribal sovereignty and the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians' continuing legacy of resilience. In this exhibition, visitors will learn how, through adaptability and innovation, the EBCI has combated attempts to eradicate, remove, and assimilate its people and remained on the Qualla Boundary - 57,000 acres (0.00067661% of the original Cherokee territory) which is owned by the EBCI and held in trust by the federal government. **Ongoing** - Welcome to a sweeping history of the Cherokee Nation, engaging and oft-times 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/>).

Cullowhee

Fine Art Museum, Fine & Performing Arts Center, Western Carolina University, Cullowhee. **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 Ameri-

can 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 to evaluate strengths, identify key acquisition areas, and also pinpoint where significant change is needed. Throughout the fall more virtual events will be available, learn more at arts.wcu.edu/cultivatingcollections. Hours: Tue.-Fri., 10am-4pm & Sat., 1-4pm. Contact: 828/227-3591 or at (<https://www.wcu.edu/bardo-arts-center/fine-art-museum/>).

Dallas

Gaston County Museum, 131 W. Main Street, Dallas. **Ongoing** - Explore the art and history of Gaston County in our permanent and rotating exhibits. Admission: Free. Hours: Tue.-Fri., 10am-5pm & Sat., 10am-3pm. Contact: 704/922-7681 or at (gastoncountymuseum.org).

Dillsboro

Jackson County Green Energy Park, 100 Green Energy Park Rd., Dillsboro. **Ongoing** - Featuring art created with renewable energy featuring blown glass, forge-hammered metals, ceramics. The Jackson County Green Energy Park (JCGEP) utilizes clean, renewable energy resources to encourage economic development, provide environmental protection, and offer educational opportunities that together will help lead towards a more sustainable future for Western North Carolina. Hours: Tue.-Thur., 1-4pm & Sat., 10am-4pm. Contact: 828/631-0271 or at (www.jcgep.org).

Durham

Claymakers, Gallery of Fine Handmade Pottery, 451 S. Driver Street in Old East Durham, Durham. **Ongoing** - Shows an ongoing, but rotating, exhibit of Claymakers Community artists. Current exhibitors include Corinne Fox, Deborah Harris, Laura Korch, Barbara McKenzie, Teresa Pietsch, Elizabeth Paley, Gillian Parke, Savannah Scarborough, and Evelyn Ward. Hours: Tue.-Sat., 1-6pm & 3rd fri. of the month from 6-9pm. Contact: 919/530-8355 or at (<http://www.claymakers.org/>).

Durham Arts Council Building, 120 Morris Street, Durham. **Allenton & Semans Galleries, Through May 5** - "The 2024 Durham Public School Instructor Show". A reception will be held on Apr. 19, from 6-8pm. Participating artists include: Katelyn Culbertson, Jose Manuel Cruz, Alyssa Hinton, Adia Ledbetter, Aislinn Massia, Val h h martinez, Felicia Maye, Loretta Morgan, Amber Santibanez, Myra Stotesbury, Ann Thaden, Ellen Tumavicus, Michael Vasinko, Jack Watson, and Emilie Young. Hours: Mon.-Sat., 9am-9pm & Sun. 1-6pm. Contact: 919/560-2787 or at (www.durhamarts.org).

Golden Belt Gallery, Durham Art Guild, Golden Belt Campus, 800 Taylor Street, Durham. **Through Apr. 11** - "Creating Connections: Idea, Design, Create, Quilt," featuring works by Michelle Wilkie, Durham Art Guild in Residence. A reception will be held on Mar. 15, from 6-9pm. Hours: Mon.-Sat., 8am-6pm & Sun., noon-6pm. Contact: 919/560-2713 or at (www.durhamartguild.org).

Liberty Arts Gallery, 918 Pearl Street in the Cleveland-Holloway neighborhood of East Durham. **Ongoing** - Liberty Arts is a nonprofit arts community whose collaborative practice reflects the dynamic personality of Durham. Our mission is to expand access to three-dimensional art and share the skills required to make it. All are welcome to take part through hands-on classes, public events, mentorships, and commissions. Liberty Arts believes in community outreach and encourages visionary thinking. Founded in 2001, Liberty Arts serves as an incubator in which artists work together to teach, learn, and inspire. All artists also take on public and private commissions, in addition to exhibiting and selling their work at the Liberty Arts Gallery. Hours: We are open to the public but would need to schedule an appointment to make sure someone is here to meet you. Contact: 919-260-2931, e-mail at (info@libertyartsnc.org) or at (www.libertyartsnc.org).

North Carolina Central University Museum of Art, 1801 Fayetteville Street, across from the Farrison-Newton Communications Building on the campus of NCCU, Durham. **Ongoing** - Permanent collection focuses on African American art of the 19th & 20th century, including works by Edward Mitchell Bannister, Henry Ossawa Tanner, Romare Bearden, Jacob Lawrence, Elizabeth Catlett, and Norman Lewis. As well as more contemporary works by Sam Gilliam, Richard Hunt, William Artis, and Kerry James Marshall. The museum's annual schedule of activities includes temporary exhibits of works from other museums, various retrospectives, and faculty

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