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City and other boroughs of the city.

In 2013 there were two solo exhibitions of his Hudson River Valley landscapes at the Warner Library in Tarrytown, NY, and the Gallery on Cedar in Dobbs Ferry, NY. In 2014, he also received a solo exhibition at the White Plains Public Library in White Plains, NY.

In 2015, Folchi was one of five American artists selected to participate in Invitational 2015 at Elder Gallery in Charlotte, NC, and was honored with a solo exhibition at The Kimmel Center at New York University in New York City.

Folchi's soft touch painting style creates a quiet sense of calm even in his Manhattan fire escape paintings that dominate his show. Other works featuring the Hudson River area of New York provide additional serenity.

"When someone asks me what I paint, they are frequently surprised by my response, 'everything.' More specifically, I am an artist in the realist tradition, but my subjects have long ago crossed all boundaries, from figurative street scenes, to still life, to landscapes and clouds to my most recent works of fire escapes and the pavement that we walk upon each day and do not notice" says Folchi.

An online catalogue of included work



Work by John Folchi

will be shown at Elder Gallery's website. For further information check our NC Commercial Gallery listings, call the gallery

at 704/370-6337 or visit (www.elderart.com).

Providence Gallery in Charlotte, NC, Offers Works by Janine Medlin

Providence Gallery in Charlotte, NC, will present a new selection of new landscape paintings by gallery artist Janine Medlin, on view from June 7 - 30, 2016.

Medlin draws inspiration for her landscapes from her introspection of nature and man's place within it. She submits, "What we see in nature is just the beginning; it is what comes through the trees or the land that makes our hearts come alive."

The introspective and reflective themes in Janine's work offer a sense of calm and relaxation that allow the viewer to enter in to a brief respite from the busy and often chaotic world. Her composition and color palette are rich and full, yet calming at the same time.

While exploring various painting techniques, Medlin found her artistic voice in a technique called sgraffitto, a method that involves carving the image into a thick layer of paint. She creates movement in her pieces by applying heavy brushstrokes and working with palette knives. Medlin most often paints on wooden artist panels or re-claimed walnut to utilize the way the oil paint naturally grabs onto the grain as



Work by Janine Medlin

she drags it across.

Medlin also works with oils on canvas, but whatever substrate she uses, she applies her paint with thick layers over thin, using a brush and palette knife to create varying levels of texture. Her compositions are filled with juxtapositions of light and color as well as she deftly uses contrast and shadow to highlight her rich color palette to imbue her paintings with energy.

For further information, check our NC Institutional Gallery listings, call the gallery at 704/333-4535 or visit (www.providencegallery.net).

Ag+Art Tour of Lancaster County, SC, Kicks Off on June 10, 2016

The Ag+Art Tour of Lancaster County counties that make up the nation's largest free farm tour, South Carolina Ag+Art Tour, Lancaster County is once again serving up fun on the farm, with a side of

On Friday, June 10, 2016, beginning 6pm at Benford Brewing Company, Lancaster Performing Arts invites visitors to kick off the annual tour with Wilbur's Last Ride BBQ, "a little art studio", and craft brew from 6-8pm. Sanctuary Blues Band will be entertaining with a blend of southern rock and blues to get you ready for the weekend of touring Lancaster County's agricultural sites. Tickets for the kick off include BBQ, live music, hand-crafted pottery beverage coasters, and a great evening of fun for only \$20 per person. Tickets for the kick-off are available at (www.lancastercitysc.com).

From 9am-5pm on Saturday, June 11 and 1-5pm on Sunday, June 12, visitors will create their own itineraries and routes and enjoy everything farm-related from pick-your-own vegetables to learning craft brewing processes. Locations include



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Rich Hill Farms, with a wide variety of fresh fruits and vegetables to choose from, with R & M Unique Designs selling handcrafted items that range from rag dolls to jewelry. Historic Craig Farm, with dulcimer musician David Rowe invites visitors to tour the beautiful gardens and Craig House.

The Native American Studies Center, located in downtown Lancaster, SC, which houses the world's largest collection of Catawba Native pottery and artifacts is hosting an annual traditional arts and crafts sale, with kids activities and Native inspired garden tours. A popular

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