

NC Institutional Galleries

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Cary Arts Center Gallery, 101 Dry Avenue, Cary. **Through Nov. 20** - "Red Ribbon Student Poster Contest." A reception will be held on Nov. 5, beginning at 6pm. Each year, area middle school students express their creativity during Red Ribbon Week by creating posters that help promote drug and alcohol awareness. This program is a joint sponsorship of the Cary Parks, Recreation & Cultural Resources Department and the Cary Police Department. 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 Dec. 17** - "Cary Photographic Artists 7th Annual Open Juried Photography Exhibition." The Cary Photographic Artists formed in January 2007 as a club dedicated to learning, teaching and sharing photographic art. It is the only club in Cary focusing on photography as a viable fine art form. Hours: Mon.-Thur., 9am-9pm & Fri.-Sat., 9am-6pm. Contact: 919/469-4081.

Herb Young Community Center, 101 Wilkinson Avenue, Cary. **Through Nov. 24** - "Our Take: Bobby Nicks & Melissa Theil." Bobby Nicks and Melissa Theil are local Cary photographers who met at the local Senior Citizen camera club, Granpapparazzi, in 2013. They discovered that they shared a passion for traveling and nature photography. These photos are their journey to capture the beauty of our world through their camera lenses. 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 Nov. 16** - "PAQA-South presents ARTQUILTS: connections." The Professional Art Quilters Alliance - South (PAQA-South) presents its annual members' exhibition ARTQUILTS: connections. Selected textile artists will present their innovative art quilts interpreting how things in life are connected. **Nov. 20 - Jan. 3, 2015** - "2014 Fine Arts League of Cary's Annual Member Exhibition". A reception will be held on Dec. 7, from 2-4pm. Celebrate the visual arts in Cary at FALC's Annual Member showcase. Over 75 different artists' works, representing a range of styles, techniques and media are on display. Hours: Mon.-Thur., 10am-9:30pm; Fri., 10am-5pm; & Sat., 10am-1pm. Contact: 919/460-4963.

Town Hall Gallery, City of Cary Town Hall, 316 North Academy Street, Cary. **Through Nov. 24** - "J. J. Raia: Design in the Natural World." Raia's photographs focus on capturing design that occurs in the natural world which encompasses both close-ups and scenes that have some form of structure. The final images exhibit strong colors and textures as well as a strong influence from the photographer. 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).

Throughout Orange County, Nov. 1 & 2 and Nov. 8 & 9 - "20th Orange County Open Studio Tour," featuring 85 artists who will participate in this juried event, opening their studios located throughout Orange County, including Chapel Hill, Carrboro, Hillsborough and surrounding areas. The event is presented by the Orange County Artists Guild. On Saturdays, studios are opened from 10am - 5pm and Sundays from noon - 5pm. During a visit, members of

the community get a chance to meet artists, learn about their creative process first-hand, view their body of work up close, and have the opportunity to purchase their pieces directly from the artist on location. Local artists benefit greatly from the Tour by increasing their exposure to a broader community base, receiving immediate feedback from prospective buyers, and by selling their work on site. Contact: visit visit (<http://www.orangecountyartistsguild.com/>).

Ackland Art Museum, UNC - Chapel Hill, Columbia & Franklin Streets, Chapel Hill. **Through Dec. 31** - "Highlights from the Permanent Collection." Includes "The Western Tradition", from Ancient art to twentieth century art; "Art from West Africa"; and "Art from China and Japan." **Through Jan. 4, 2015** - "PhotoVision: Selections from a Decade of Collecting". The Ackland Art Museum houses a broad and deep collection of photographs, covering the history of the medium as an art form from its beginnings in the early nineteenth century to the present. PhotoVision draws from and reflects on an impressive record of recent gifts and purchases, selecting approximately 150 photographs from the 500 acquired in the last ten years. **Museum Store Gallery** (Franklin and Columbia Street), Store hours: Mon.-Sat., 10am-5:30pm & Sun., Noon-5pm. Museum Hours: Wed.-Sat., 10am-5pm and Sun., 1-5pm. Contact: 919/966-5736 or at (www.ackland.org).



Work by William & Katherine Bernstein

FRANK, 109 East Franklin Street, Chapel Hill. **Through Nov. 9** - "FRANK: inFocus: Engaging Light". FRANK Gallery, the founder of what has become the region-wide Click! Triangle Photography Festival (www.clicktrianglephoto.org), is entering its third year with its centerpiece Frank: inFocus photography exhibition, "Engaging Light". This exhibit will feature FRANK's highly skilled member and consigned photographers, as well as special invited guests including Elizabeth Matheson, Tama Hochbaum and Leah Sobsey. Photographer John Rosenthal will also be exhibiting as our Featured Artist this month. **Through Nov. 9** - "Local Clay". From the small and whimsical to the large and sculptural, our artists exemplify the range of possibility in this exciting medium. Included in this exhibition will be award winning and collectible ceramicists Eric Serritella, Sasha Bakaric and Judith Ernst, and many others. **Nov. 11 - Jan. 4, 2015** - "Penland Area Glass Artists," featuring a show of glass works by renowned NC glass artists: Valerie and Rick Beck, William and Katherine Bernstein, Greg Fidler, Rob Levin and Kenny Pieper as well as FRANK glass artists Lucartha Kohler and Madonna Phillips. A reception will be held on Nov. 14, from 6-9pm. **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., 11am-6pm; Thur. till 8pm and Sun. 1-5pm. 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>).

ALTERNATE ART SPACES - Chapel Hill **Chapel Hill Public Library**, 100 Library Drive, Chapel Hill. **Through Nov. 26** - "Botanical Poetry, A Selection of Drawings from Finding Romanticism Among Grunge by Evelyn Wong". Wong is an artist from Columbia, SC, who enjoys

studying the natural world and its place in our lives. This selection of drawings on view at the Chapel Hill Public Library is part of a larger ongoing series tells the stories of individual plants as they change and grow, often unnoticed in a world of technological noise and distractions until we find the need to escape and immerse ourselves and our senses in what nature has to offer. Hours: Mon.-Thur., 10am-8pm; Fri.-Sat., 10am-6pm; and Sun., noon-6pm. Contact: at (<http://chapelhillpubliclibrary.org>).

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. **Through Feb. 18, 2015** - "British Invasion," is a representation of British art found principally in the Bechtler collection from the 1950s through the 1970s. The works include prints, drawings, sculpture and paintings. The exhibition comprises 56 works by 11 artists: Henry Moore, Ben Nicholson, Bridget Riley, Lynn Chadwick, Barbara Hepworth, David Hockney, Alan Davie, Rodney Gladwell, Bernard Meadows, Victor Pasmore and William Scott. A highlight of the show is work by Lynn Chadwick, one of the leading sculptors of post-war Britain. Included in the exhibition are six sculptures and four lithographs by the artist. **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).

Charlotte Art League Gallery & Studios, 1517 Camden Road, South End, Charlotte. **Nov. 7 - 28** - "Fall Into Art," CAL's biannual juried show attracts some of the region's best fine artists. This show is juried by Shaun Cassidy, Professor of Fine Art at Winthrop University. A reception will be held on Nov. 7, from 6-9pm, and awards will be announced at 7pm. **Nov. 21, 6-9pm** - "Brush and Beats". All are invited to celebrate creativity and bring their painting/drawing supplies to create alongside CAL artists; art for the kids; and live music. Free admission. **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., Wed., Thur., 11am-3pm; Fri., 5-9pm; Sat., noon-4pm; & Sun., 1-5pm. Contact: 704/376-2787 or at (www.charlotteartleague.org).

Davidson College Art Galleries, Belk Visual Arts Center, 315 North Main and Griffith Streets, Davidson. **Van Every and Smith Galleries, Through Dec. 17** - "Jaume Plensa: Sculptures and Drawings," consists of works on paper as well as sculpture in bronze and in stainless steel. All works were created in the past three years and several have never before exhibited in the United States, including Nuage VI, Rui Rui's Dream and Sanna's Dream. Many of the artworks in the exhibition complement Plensa's "Waves III," a sculpture recently installed on Davidson's campus. 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. **Ross Gallery I, Through Dec. 18** - "The Boxing Gym," featuring works by de'Angelo Dia and Shaun El C. Leonardo. Through various media, Dia and El C. explore the hype and demise of one boxer, examining the media and public's contradictory desire to build up our heroes only to see them torn down. This boxer, once headed toward glory, is now a man who clearly did not live up to his potential. Photographed in the gym where he once trained, he and his environment are now a mere shell of the macho grandeur, aggression and intensity they once symbolized. **Ross Gallery II, Nov. 3 - Dec. 18** - "First

Annual Friends & Family Market Fundraiser Exhibit". The exhibit will contain work by 35 artists who have an affiliation to the gallery. Original works and prints will be sold for \$50 or less. Fifty percent of all sales will go to the artist, 40 percent to the galleries and 10 percent to one of three CPCC student visual arts groups. Artists include current and former CPCC students, instructors, alumni exhibiting artists, future exhibiting artists and more. They include: Natalie Abrams, Eli Arenas, Amy Bagwell, Betsy Birkner, Matthew Brien, Anderson Carman, Shaun Cassidy, Sharon Dowell, Catalina Duarte, Heather D. Freeman, Amy Herman, Aspen Hochhalter, Carolyn Jacobs, Anna Kenar, Ashley Knight, Janet Lasher, Andrew Leventis, Oliver Lewis, Allison Luce, Terry McMicking, Nam Nguyens, Nancy Nieves, Karen O'Leary, Isaac Payne, Don Peeler, Miranda Pfeiffer, Zachary Tate Porter, Eva Rizzardi, Elizabeth Ross, Ahmad Sabha, Laurie Schorr, Barbara Schreiber, Caitie Sellers, Paula Smith, Matthew Steele, Tom Thoun, Alvaro Torres, Jason Watson, Janet Williams, Pam Winegard, and Kyle Worthy. Hours: Mon.-Thur., 10am-2pm. Contact: Sharon Dowell, Gallery Coordinator, at 704/330-6211 or at (www.cpcc.edu/art_gallery).



"Worth Fighting For," by Robert Mars & Jay West

Harvey B. Gantt Center for African-American Arts & Culture, Levine Center for the Arts, 551 S. Tryon St., Charlotte. **Through Dec. 15** - "A Love Supreme: Robert Mars featuring Jay West". The exhibit highlights a series of portraits of African-American icons that include Martin Luther King, Jr., Muhammad Ali, Lena Horne - Mars and West collaborated on this piece - John Coltrane and Michael Jackson. King is the key figure in the series, for he dared to publicly dream of a better future for African Americans, one where his "four little children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the color of their skin but by the content of their character." Portrayed with a photographic realism, these icons are shown at the height of their fame and in the glory of their youth. **Through Jan. 19, 2015** - "Selected Works of J. Eugene Grigsby, Jr.: Returning to Where the Artistic Seed was Planted. This exhibit is comprised of thirty (30) works of art that span the spectrum of Jefferson Eugene Grigsby, Jr.'s extraordinary career. **Through Jan. 19, 2015** - "40 and Counting: Celebrating Forty Years at the Gantt Center Through Art, Culture and Community". The exhibition includes works shown previously in sixteen very different exhibitions, and includes paintings, works on paper, sculpture, African art, textiles, photography and even public art. **Ongoing** - Featuring selections from the John & Vivian Hewitt Collection of African-American Art, one of the nation's most important and comprehensive collections of African-American art. Hours: Tue.-Sat., 10am-5pm & Sun. 1-5pm. Contact: 704/547-3700 or at (www.ganttcenter.org).

Lake Norman Art League Gallery, 442 S. Main St., located across the street from Wooden Stone, next to Masterworks; enter at the rear of the building, and turn right into the lobby, Davidson. **Ongoing** - Featuring works by Lake Norman Art League members. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 8am-7pm. Contact: 704/620-4450 or at (www.LKNart.org).

Latin American Contemporary Art Projects (LaCa), 1429 Bryant Street, in the heart of the revitalized FreeMoreWest neighborhood, Charlotte. **Nov. 6 - Dec. 19** - "Cristina Toro: Casa en el Cielo," an exhibition that intuitively explores the relationship to nature, inner worlds and unknowable things. LaCa Projects proudly presents this new collection of paintings by New York-based painter Cristina Toro. Her vibrant canvases are deeply rooted in her enchanted childhood in Puerto Rico. **Ongoing** - LaCa Projects is a platform dedicated to the presentation, development, and promotion of Latin American art and culture within the United States. The gallery encourages cross-cultural dialogue by representing a small group of influential and thought-provoking contemporary, emerging and mid-career artists, as well as exhibiting a broader range of work by established and Master Latin American artists. The gallery, which has expertise in a number of different art media with a significant focus on paintings, will also be part of a larger planned expansion that includes open artist studios and a dining concept. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 1-5pm or by appt. Contact: Neely Verano at (neely@lacaprojects.com) or call 704/609-8487.

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