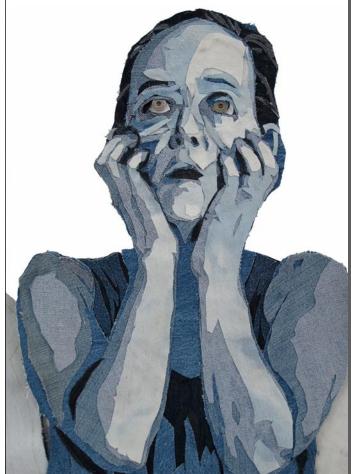


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Gallery on Main



# Jim Arendt "Frayed"

November 8 - December 30 Art Walk Reception, November 17, 5-8 p.m.

The University of South Carolina Upstate sponsors three galleries that include, Curtis R. Harley Gallery and FOCUS Gallery on the main campus, and UPSTATE Gallery on Main located at 172 E. Main Street in Spartanburg. Dedicated to contemporary and historical exhibitions of art, the galleries support our mission to cultivate an understanding of art as a discipline, the relationship of art to life, and the role art plays for the educated individual.

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#### **CURTIS R HARLEY GALLERY**



# **TONYA GREGG**

"A Good Read In The Dynasty"

November 4 - December 2, 2016 Artist's Reception, November 10, 4:30 p.m.

### USC-Upstate in Spartanburg

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Institute College of Art, as well as an additional MFA from University of Chicago.

Gregg has completed four artist residencies, been featured in New American Paintings and in exhibitions throughout the US, UK, Germany, Nicaragua, and Canada, and has held more than 12 solo exhibitions at various galleries and institutions including Gallery 1448, Baltimore, Md.; Lawndale Art Center in Houston, Texas, and Ithaca College in Ithaca, New York.

The University of South Carolina Upstate Visual Arts program is dedicated to quality and integrity in educating students. Important to any program is the ability to evolve with the ever-changing landscape of technology, theory and cultural attitudes. It is the goal of the USC Upstate program to attract and maintain a

faculty of recognized professionals active in their fields of specialization, support program development appropriate to the discipline, develop and maintain instructional facilities and equipment current to the curriculum, attract students that seek higher education to prepare for professional career options, develop a commitment to lifelong-learning and prepare to participate in a global world, and serve as a facilitator to bridge education with the community at large.

The department offers two degrees in their program, Art Studio, Bachelor of Arts, Art Studio, emphasis Graphic Design and Art Education, Bachelor of Arts, Art Education.

For further information check our SC Institutional Gallery listings or call Jane Nodine at 864/503-5838.

#### Converse College in Spartanburg, SC, Offers Works by Art & Design Faculty

Converse College in Spartanburg, SC, will present New Narratives: New Faculty Exhibition, on view in the Milliken Art Gallery, from Nov. 3 - 22, 2016. A gallery talk and reception will be held on Nov. 10, beginning at 6pm.

The exhibition reflects the academic specialty and individual creative endeavors of two new Department of Art & Design faculty members: Jena Thomas is the new Assistant Professor of Studio Art (Painting and Drawing) and Mary Carlisle is the Visiting Professor of Ceramics and Arts Management.

"An exhibition such as this allows us to highlight the artistic achievements of our newest faculty members. Additionally, it is a fantastic opportunity for students to interact with their new faculty members," said Kathryn Boucher, Gallery Director. Susanne Gunter, Chair of the Art &

Design Department, is "so excited to have Jena join our faculty with her level of expertise in painting and drawing and exhibition record. Mary is a familiar face as she has been a key figure in the growth of our Arts Management program and is coming to us fresh from completing her MFA in Ceramics. We warmly welcome them to the Converse family!"

Recently moving to Spartanburg from Miami, Jena Thomas has exhibited extensively in Florida and New England. Recently featured in the art publication New American Painting, Thomas is a recipient of the Ruth Katzman Scholarship from the Art Students League of New York and Finalist in Miami University's, Young Painters Competition. Thomas received her Bachelor of Fine Arts from Massachusetts College of Art and Design in Boston,

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MA, and her Masters of Fine Arts from the University of Miami in Coral Gables, FL. Thomas's work is currently represented by the Fernando Luis Alvarez Gallery in Stamford, CT.

Mary E. Carlisle was born in Greenville, SC. She holds a BFA in Studio Art from Converse College, an MS in Arts Administration from Drexel University and completed her MFA in Studio Art at Lesley University in Cambridge, MA, in June of 2016.

Founded in 1889 and located in the heart of Spartanburg, South Carolina - home to six colleges and 13,000 college students - Converse helps women develop the skills necessary to balance a full life. Students develop their unique voices through our challenging liberal arts curriculum, century-old honor tradition, and Daniels Center for Leadership and Service. Our close-knit residential community cultivates a spirit of sisterhood and enterprise among women diverse in backgrounds and interests. Across the board from art and design to science, busines

music and education - professors actively mentor and challenge students through spirited discussions inside and outside of the classroom. The Nisbet Honors Program, Petrie School of Music, independent and collaborative research opportunities, leading national debate teams, study abroad and internship programs, and a 10:1 student/faculty ratio differentiate the



Work by Jena Thomas

Converse learning community.

Converse competes in NCAA Division II athletics - the highest level of any women's college, is the only women's college on the All-Steinway School roster, and is consistently top ranked by US News & World Report.

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#### Furman University in Greenville, SC, Offers Works by Kate Roberts

Furman University in Greenville, SC, will present Indigo Curtain, featuring works by ceramic artist and Greenville native Kate Roberts, on view in the Thompson Gallery, in the Roe Art Building, from Nov. 14 through Dec. 9, 2016. A reception and talk with the artist is set for Nov. 14, from 6-7:30pm in Thompson Gallery.

In a statement, Roberts describes her philosophy: "My practice is a meditation on time and its role in the decay of objects and memories. Inspiration is drawn from historical objects, the architecture around me, or a personal relationship. My processes are repetitive and labor intensive; I draw, construct, and weave using materials to depict fleeting, fragile moments and to examine the temporary physicality of an object or idea. The physical properties of my materials - parched, cracked clay and vitreous porcelain - at once delicate

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