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handcrafted hair and fashion accessories. From bowties representative of your favorite sports teams to mini messenger bags made from up-cycled international coffee bean bags, visitors will find gift items for both adults and children.

For those who enjoy being able to use art objects daily, the Artisans Holiday Market welcomes back talented artist Patricia Gambino of Clay Impressions in Heath Springs, SC. Gambino has a unique style and shoppers will find beautifullycrafted decorative and functional stoneware pottery in all sizes, shapes, and colors.

New to the Artisan's Holiday Market is Lancaster's Alan Noll of Timber Creek Pottery. Noll specializes in ceramic caricature sculptures that verge on whimsical and his works are a favorite with collectors.

An artisans market would not be complete without a great selection of "country-living" inspired artworks. With up-cycled windows, doors, and canvasses, shoppers will find "3 Crow" of Great Falls, SC, whose works are highly sought after for their range of color and designs. From friendly farm animals like cows and pigs to popular favorites like palmetto trees, each work of art by "3 Crow" is extraordinary.

Rockin' Rags of Rock Hill, SC, returns to the Artisans Holiday Market and visitors can expect a booth filled to the brim with quilts, handmade pillows, rag dolls, stuffed animals, wearable art, and holiday ornaments.

Lancaster County's Magic Needles Quilt Guild will be offering a chance to win a quilt, with proceeds benefiting Avant Garde Center for the Arts' children's scholarship program. This group of talented artisans will visually delight visitors with quilted items that include dog coats and holiday accessories.

Those who love collecting traditional art will find Van Wyck, SC, artist, Carol Leedy's selection of handwoven baskets irresistible. In all shapes, sizes, and colors the original works are the perfect functional art addition to any home or office.

For the "readers" on your holiday list, two authors will be on hand ready to sign copies of their latest books. Glenda Manus of Van Wyck, SC, is a writer whose "Sweet Tea Series" books are based on life in her small community. If such a genre existed, Manus' books would be classified as Southern Christian Fiction. They're about life in a small Southern town, following the life of a young minister in his walk of faith. They have a touch of mystery, romance and deal with problems relevant in our world today and each new edition is eagerly anticipated by fans.

Sharing the artisan booth with her, you'll find Carolyn Digh Griffin, whose books are also based on experiences in her countryside community of Waxhaw, NC. Griffin states that she began writing in 2005, after an extended illness. Her



Books by author Glenda Manus

New to the Artisans Holiday Market is EBS Woodcraft & Designs of Charlotte, NC. Artist Erich Black's handcrafted works include boxes, trays, coasters, wine racks, end and side tables, chessboards, plant boxes and stands, and wall art.

Also, look for newcomer Ladders of Life from Fort Mill, SC. Artist Cristine Wilkinson will help get your home holiday-ready with a unique selection of festive ladders and trays.

For those on your holiday list who appreciate handcrafted soaps and candles, Southern Fragrances Candle Company of Pineville, NC, will have just what you are looking for. Owner Mandy Phythian handcrafts soy candles in small batches, with scents inspired by the seasons of the year. Spring and Summer scents are full of florals and tropical fruits, while Fall and Winter scents are all about being snuggly and cozy at home. Holiday shoppers will find a great selection of all-natural soy candles, soaps, bath and body products that are eco-friendly.

Rounding out the holiday market is Wiley House of T.S. of Lancaster, SC. Folk art enthusiasts and collectors will love this self-taught artist's hand-carved walking sticks and historical monuments. On his travels, the artist enjoys walks through the woods and has the vision to see the beautiful works of art that tree stumps and fallen limbs will become.

This holiday shopping paradise will take place Saturday, Dec. 3, 2016, from 10am until 4pm in the Lancaster County Historic Courthouse at 100 N. Main Street, in the Cultural Arts District of Lancaster, SC, 29720. The annual event has been named a Top Twenty Event for December by Southeast Tourism Society and is coordinated by Avant Garde Center for the Arts in partnership with Olde English District Artisans Market & Visitor Center. Sponsors include County of Lancaster, City of Lancaster, PetSmart, Bob Doster's Backstreet Studio, and Rapid Signs.

For further information check our SC Institutional Gallery listings, contact Avant Garde Center for the Arts at 803/287-7853, e-mail to (<u>cmstevens@comporium.net</u>), or visit (<u>https://www.facebook.com/avantgardeartist</u>).

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Hickory Museum of Art in Hickory, NC, Features Artworks Made by Women

Celebrate contributions by women artists during *Woman Made: Women Artists from the Hickory Museum of Art Collection*, on view in Coe Gallery, from Dec. 17 through April 23, 2017, at Hickory Museum of Art, in Hickory, NC. As guest curator, HMA Projects Coordinator Karin Borei has selected more than 80 women artists from the Museum's permanent collection, including works in including oils, pastels, watercolors, pottery, glass, textiles and sculpture.

"It's been exciting to select pieces for the exhibition," Borei said. "The Museum has collected a wonderful variety of works by women artists throughout its 72 years a cultural resource While HMA has exhibited several solo shows by female artists over the years, this is the first time the Museum has exclusively celebrated women artists from its permanent collection. Featured works include perennial favorites, seldom displayed works, less familiar works by familiar artists and a selection of the Museum's most recent acquisitions. Many of the artists also have North Carolina connections. Among selected artists are Elizabeth Catlett, Maud Florance Gatewood, Kara Elizabeth Walker, Berenice Abbott, Helen Frankenthaler, Jane Freilicher, Anna Vaughn Hyatt Huntington, Ida Kohlmeyer, Jane Peterson, Minnie Reinhardt and Anne Tabachnichk. Exhibit-related programming will include an opening reception in January, as well as art teas, a winter garden floral show inspired by artworks in Woman



first book, "Hope Returns", was published in 2008. "Terror on Waxhaw Creek" was published in 2014 and a sequel, "Fireflies on Waxhaw Creek" was released this year.

USC Lancaster Native American Studies Center in Lancaster, SC, Offers Art and Crafts Winter Sale - Dec. 3, 2016

Catawba pottery, jewelry, baskets, and other works handmade by Native American artists and craftspeople will be available Saturday, Dec. 3, 2016, at the USC Lancaster Native American Studies Center from 9am to 4pm. Vendors will be at the Center for the event offering a wide variety of artwork, crafts, decorative items, and unique handmade objects perfect for holiday gift-giving. We will have flute and drum music performed by Keepers of the Word at 11am and 1pm and artist-in-residence Keith Brown will have demonstrations of Catawba pottery within the gallery throughout the day. Visitors will also have the opportunity to tour the exhibits in the Native American Studies Center and hear storytelling by Beckee Garris.

Artists who will be in attendance include: Rachel Alred (Pee Dee); Nancy Basket (Cherokee); JoAnn Bauer (Catawba); Eric Canty (Catawba); Cindy George (Catawba); Faye Greiner (Catawba); Cora Hedgepath (Catawba); Lee Anne Lamar (Pee Dee); Cathy Nelson & Keepers of the Word(Ojibwa); Ralph Oxendine (Pee *continued above on next column to the right* Work by Anna Vaughn Hyatt Huntington

Made, flower arranging workshops, an empowerment workshop for girls and more.

A full-color exhibition catalog and 2017 calendars are in production, thanks to collaboration and support from Hickory Printing Company. The catalog and calendar will be for sale in the Museum's store, shop HMA.

Woman Made: Women Artists from the Hickory Museum of Art Collection is sponsored by HMA Guild, Target, Angela and Jeffery Simmons and City of Hickory. For further information check our NC Institutional Gallery listings, call the Museum at 828/327-8576 or visit (www. HickoryArt.org).

The deadline each month to submit articles, photos and ads is the 24th of the month prior to the next issue. This will be Dec. 24th for the January 2017 issue and Jan. 24 for the February 2017 issue.