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Peggy McCormick, Jacqueline Mehring, Christine Seiler, Lane Watson, and Rose Wenkel. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 10am-5pm and Sat. & Sun., 1-5pm. Contact: 336/270-4998 or at (www. PointOfViewGallery.com).

Cary

Cary Arts Center, 101 Dry Avenue, Cary. Principal's Hall, Through Mar. 6 - "Keana Eva Klein: Quilts as Story". These mixed media works are driven by my obsession with abandoned houses. Each tells the visual story of a present place, and my imaginings of its past. 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, thoughtprovoking 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 Mar. 30 - "ART55," sponsored by the Cary Senior Center and the Fine Arts League of Cary, this show will feature two-D art madee by local residents over the age of 55. A reception will be held on Feb. 22, from 3-5pm. Hours: Mon.-Thur., 9am-9pm & Fri.-Sat., 9am-6pm. Contact: 919/469-4081.

Herb Young Community Center, 101 Wilkinson Avenue, Cary. Through Mar. 21 - "Michael Weitzman: Sunrises, Reflections, and Acadia". Weitzman's exhibit features memorable photographs that capture the beauty that surrounds us all. His keen eye and composition skills serve to draw the viewer into the image he has captured whether it be a stunning sunrise in Acadia National Park, golden Autimn river reflections, or the beauty of Duke Gardens.

Hours: Mon.-Fri., 9am-10pm; and Sat., 9am-6-pm. Contact: 919/4604965 or (www.townofcary.org).

Page-Walker Arts & History Center, 119 Ambassador Loop, Cary. Through Apr. 23 -"Fine Arts League of Cary's 21st Annual Juried Exhibition". Celebrate the visual arts in Cary at the FALC 21st Annual Juried Exhibition, featuring artists; works in a wide range of styles, techiques, and media from througout the region. Through Apr. 23 - "Coming Soon, Dot-Dot-Dot: Selections from the Gregg Museum of Art & Design". Consider the lowly dot: by itself, a simple, unassuming shape. But put enough together and they enliven any surface. NC State University's Gregg Museum of Art & Design offers examples from their permanent collection. Hours: Mon.-Thur., 10am-9:30pm; Fri., 10am-5pm; & Sat., 10am-1pm. (It is strongly advised that you call ahead about hours this space will be open.) Contact:

Town Hall Gallery, City of Cary Town Hall, 316 North Academy Street, Cary. Through Mar. 18 -"Robert L. Wood: Drawn to Water," is a collection of acrylic paintings depicting scenes of North Carolina near the water's edge by landscape artist Robert L. Wood. 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).

Ackland Art Museum, UNC - Chapel Hill, Columbia & Franklin Streets, Chapel Hill. Through Apr. 3 - "Time Travels in Nineteenth-Century Landscapes". Featuring works from the collection of the Ackland Art Museum, the North Carolina Museum of Art, and the Louis Round Wilson Library Special Collections, "Time Travels" considers how artists visualized time and its

passage-such as the idealized "long ago"-in nineteenth-century drawings, paintings, and photographs of landscapes. Through Apr. 10 -"Walls of Color: The Murals of Hans Hofmann". This is the first exhibition to focus on the varied and underappreciated mural projects of Hans Hofmann, a towering figure among postwar New York School painters. Through Apr. 10 - "Guest of Honor: Francis Bacon's - Study for Portrait VI". The Museum is pleased to present "Study for Portrait VI" (1953) by Francis Bacon, one of the most important British artists of the twentieth century, on loan from the Minneapolis Institute of Art. Through Apr. 10 - "Beyond Walls: Designs for Twentieth-Century American Murals". The mural studies presented in Beyond Walls offer a glimpse into the logic and concerns of artists such as Charles Alston, James Henry Daugherty, and Ben Shahn. 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).

FRANK, 109 East Franklin Street, Chapel Hill. Through Mar. 6 - "Morphology and the Biomorphic Impulse," featuring works by Mark Elliott, a sculptor; abstract painter, Harriet Bellow: and photographer, Bill McAllister. "Biomorphism" or "biomorphic" abstraction is a term that describes a form of abstraction which employs rounded forms such as those found in nature. Through Mar. 6 - "Texture Transformed". Metalsmith Mirinda Kossoff and painter Mary Stone Lamb partner for a delightful exhibition featuring highly textured works. Michael and Laura Brader-Araje Community Outreach Gallery, Through Mar. 6 - "A Thousand Mornings, Drawings and Paintings by Norma Hendrix". 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).

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.



"Appearance" by Sam Francis

Bechtler Museum of Modern Art, Levine Center for the Arts, 420 South Tryon St., Charlotte. Through Mar. 7 - "Sam Francis: Rapid Fluid Indivisible Vision," will not only present the distinctive art Francis created, but will position him among the various artists whom he celebrated and influenced. The anchor of the show is the 1¢ Life portfolio that Francis edited with the poet/painter Walasse Ting in 1964. Collapsing geographical borders and stylistic differences, Francis and Ting assembled artists as varied as Joan Mitchell, Roy Lichtenstein, Asger Jorn, Robert Indiana, Karel Appel, Andy Warhol, Jean-Paul Riopelle, and Jim Dine to illustrate Ting's poetry in this portfolio. 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.

Mar. 1 - 24 - "Taking Flight," featuring works of birds, bees and butterflies, etc. A reception will be held on Mar. 4, from 6-9pm. 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.-Thur., 11am-3pm; Fri., 5-9pm; Sat., noon-4pm; Sun., 1-5pm. Closed Dec. 22-Jan. 1. Contact: 704/376-2787 or at (www.charlotteartleague.org).



Work by Allan deSouza

Davidson College Art Galleries, Belk Visual rts Center, 315 North Main and Griffith Streets, Davidson. Van Every Gallery, Through Apr. 10 - "Allan deSouza" and "Alia Syed: Contents Under Pressure". An Artist Talk will be given on Mar. 5, at 5pm in Semans Lecture Hall, with a reception from 6-8pm in Belk Visual Art Center. Allan deSouza is a multimedia artist whose work investigates the themes of travel, diaspora, and migration and their role in forming the racial and sexual identity of the body in a social and psychological context. Alia Syed is a British filmmaker and artist whose work integrates her interest in storytelling, history, and visual narrative. Her work, including the two that are being presented at Davidson College, Panopticon Letters: Missive I and On a Wing and a Prayer, examine notions of cultural difference and gender in relation to diaspora and location. Smith Gallery, Through Mar. 10 - "Clint Sleeper: any percentage of a pre-monition or nearer the end". Sleeper is a media artist, performer, and maker, whose work humorously ponders an end to capitalism and seriously considers alternative possibilities for picking up the pieces and moving forward. This is a process of oscillating between old and new technologies, between art historical references and various popular positions of political philosophers. Hours: Tue.-Thur., 10am-4pm. Contact: 704/894-2519 or at (www.davidsoncollegeartgalleries.org).

Harvey B. Gantt Center for African-American Arts & Culture, Levine Center for the Arts, 551 S. Tryon St., Charlotte. 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. Through Mar. 12 - "Soulcatcher," featuring a solo exhibition featuring Cuban artist Carlos Estévez. Estévez's art is a mirror of the intangible; the intangible is the metaphysical reality—what we cannot see with our eyes. Soulcatcher, a groundbreaking exhibition, is an attempt to capture the invisible dimension of the reality and explores the hidden dynamic of the universe. Through his lens, Estévez masterfully helps us discover the innermost depths of our world. This exhibition marks a significant and ongoing collaboration with the McColl Center for Art & Innovation, a nationally acclaimed art residency program and contemporary art center. This unique partnership intends to build the region's cultural relevancy in the arts and expose the community to contemporary, accomplished Latin American artists. These two institutions' shared vision to support the critical role art and artists play in bringing about important social change is at the core of this partnership. 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.

Levine Museum of the New South, 200 E. Seventh St., corner of College St & Seventh St., Charlotte. Ongoing - "Cotton Fields to Skyscrapers," featuring a permanent exhibition featuring interactive environments that trace the history of the New South from the end of the Civil War until today. Admission: Yes. Free on Sat. Parking: next door in Seventh Street Station. Hours: Mon.-Sat., 10am-5pm & Sun., noon-5pm. Contact: 704/333-1887 or at (www. museumofthenewsouth.org).

McColl Center for Art + Innovation, 721 North Tryon Street, Charlotte. Through Apr. 9 - "People/Places/Exchanges: Art as a Visual Voice," featuring works by Juan Fuentes, Vicente Hernandez, Mobile Musral Lab, and Nico Amortegui. Hours: Thur.-Fri., 3-9pm & Sat., 11am-6pm. Contact: 704/332-5535 or at (www.mccollcenter.org).

Mint Museum Randolph, 2730 Randolph Road, Charlotte. Bridges and Levine Galleries, Ongoing - "Contemporary British Studio Ceramics: The Grainer Collection". Focused on the collection of Diane and Marc Grainer, this installation is a survey of contemporary British studio ceramics. Comprising functional and sculptural objects made between the 1980s and today, the show features work by artists either born or residing in Great Britain, including established "contemporary classics" like Gordon Baldwin and Rupert Spira, and cutting-edge ceramicists such as Julian Stair and Kate Malone. Several recentlygifted works from the Grainers are included. Alexander, Spangler, and Harris Galleries, Ongoing - "Portals to the Past: British Ceramics 1675 - 1825". The Mint Museum's collection of eighteenth-century British pottery and porcelain is widely respected for its scope and quality. The collection numbers over 2,000 objects and includes important examples of both salt-glazed and dry-bodied stoneware from Staffordshire; tin-glazed earthenware from Bristol, Liverpool, and London; and cream-colored earthenware from Derbyshire, Staffordshire, and Yorkshire. Notable eighteenth-century porcelain factories represented include Chelsea, Bow, and Vauxhall in London, Longton Hall in Staffordshire, Worcester, Bristol, and others. Individual works in the collection are exceptional because of their rarity, craftsmanship, provenance, or as representative examples of particular types or methods of production or decoration. Ongoing - "American Glass". The nineteenth and early twentieth centuries represented a time of extraordinary growth for the American glass industry. Such companies as Boston & Sandwich Glass Company in Sandwich, MA; Steuben Glass Works in Corning, NY; and Libbey Glass Company in Toledo, OH, began operation and soon developed notable reputations for producing fashionable wares that were coveted by many middle- and upper-class consumers. "American Glass" showcases objects by these and other American glass companies, illustrating the variety of forms and styles that prevailed during this period. Glass-manufacturing techniques will be another focus of the exhibition, with representative examples of pressed, cut, blown, and molded glass. Nearly all of the works on view are from The Mint Museum's permanent collection of glass, which is second in size only to the ceramics collection in the museum's Decorative Arts holdings. Ongoing - "Arts of Africa". The African continent is remarkable in its geographic, social, political, and cultural diversity. This impressive diversity is reflected in the visual arts through a variety of media and forms including ceramics, masks, textiles, sculptures, prestige staffs, and shrines. With exceptional loans from private collectors and The Mint Museum's own collection of African Art, the museum is pleased to announce the expansion of its presentation of Arts of Africa, thereby providing visitors a more in-depth, meaningful, and exciting overview of African art. Heritage Gallery, Ongoing - Feature works of art, archival documents, and photographs documenting the growth and evolution of the museum, from its beginnings as the original branch of the US Mint to its founding as an art museum to the present and beyond. Ongoing - "Art for the Millions: WPA Prints" and "Carolina

Clay," featuring a display of colorful wares made continued on Page 53