

Skyuka Fine Art in Tryon, NC

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and Record. Lukens has exhibited his paintings several times with the American Academy of Equine Art, and is a member of the American Society of Portrait Artists. This award-winning artist has been featured in documentaries, painted celebrities and their horses, completed numerous portraits for silver and gold medalist US Olympic show jumping teams and their horses, and has clients in 37 states and 7 different countries.



Work by Rick Conn

Tucker Bailey states, "From the first time I saw bronze sculpture as a young girl at the Minneapolis Institute of Art, I've been totally captivated by the reality of three dimensional sculpture. Sculpture is a medium that changes with a changing point of view. The surface of bronze has a reflective quality and the angle of light dramatically changes perception. In my work, I try to bring more to my sculptures than just surface anatomy. I think of the work I do as a portrait of each animal. I try to bring out its personality, making the space at once internal and external." Bailey has devoted her life to the study of animals and art, and has studied with sculptor John Paul Harris and painters Sally Strand, Heiner Hertling, Valerie Hinz, and Guan Weixing, who is China's premiere watercolorist. Bailey's work is found in private and corporate collections across North America and abroad, including many bronzes at the North Carolina Zoological Park. She was featured in the segment on NPR radio called *Voices and Viewpoints* in 2006, and had an article in the *Winston-Salem Monthly* magazine (Tucker's *Bailiwick*) in 2007. Her work has been featured in *Polo Player's Edition* magazine's Annual Sporting Art issue multiple times. Her accolades include American Artists Professional League, Allied Artists of America, The Pen and Brush, Inc., The Catherine Lorillard Wolfe Art Club, the Award of Excellence Medal from the Society of Animal Artists at the

Annual in 2007 and the Award of Recognition from the American Women Artists in 2010. We are very excited to have Bailey be our first featured sculptor.

Growing up a Canadian farm girl, Valerie Hinz has been drawing horses "ever since I could hold a pencil." Her father had horses on the farm, and the first stories she was told were always about horses. Hinz attended the University of Saskatchewan studying art, but had a sporadic beginning; finally being urged to paint friends horses, her career took off. Her first large exhibit came in 1983 at the Arabian National Show. Then, in 1986, another important event took place, which she says improved her art. Out shoveling grain one day, Hinz twisted her back and was suddenly "in the worst pain of my life." She had major back surgery and for the next five weeks she couldn't work, ride, or even paint. So she decided to read - mostly books on composition and color. Shortly after she started to paint again, she completed her first major work, titled *Romancing the Stones*. This is the painting that brought Hinz attention in the world of equine art. Some of Hinz's accolades include: being commissioned to paint the winning "Queens Cup Woodbine" Toronto/Canada, Best in 2D Award, Horses in Motion Exhibition/Kentucky Derby Museum/Louisville, KY, First Place-Oils/Acrylics, 10th Annual Draft Horse Classic Western and Equine Art Show, First Place-Oils/Acrylics, 9th Annual Draft Horse Classic Western and Equine Art Show, and juried into full membership of AAEA -1994 Featured Artist, Vancouver Wildlife Art Show, just to name a few. Skyuka Fine Art is honored to have Valerie be its first featured artist from outside the US.



Work by Sarah Holmburg

For further information check our NC Commercial Gallery listings, call the gallery at 828/817-3783 or visit (www.Skyukafineart.com).

Woolworth Walk in Asheville, NC, Offers Works by Jennifer Barrineau



Work by Jennifer Barrineau

Woolworth Walk in Asheville, NC, will present the exhibit, *An Artist's Garden*, featuring paintings by Jennifer Barrineau, on view in the FW Front Gallery, from Apr. 1 - 29, 2011. A reception will be held on Apr. 1, from 5-7pm.

Barrineau's artistic expression unapol-

ogetically thrusts us into a world where vibrant color, texture and shape collide: A land of color-saturated, dimensional, thought-provoking creations. The exhibit will feature twelve new paintings by this Asheville tree artist, formerly of the Tree Gallery. With this new series she is capturing the brilliant colored light of spring. The seeds are sprouting in her studio, an artist's garden is being created. It will be a place for all to indulge in an explosion of spring.

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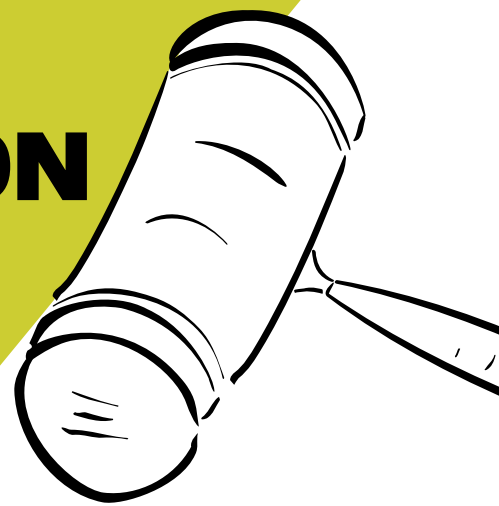
The deadline each month to submit articles, photos and copy-ready ads is the 24th of the month prior to the next issue. This would be Apr. 24th for the May 2011 issue and May 24 for the June 2011 issue. After that, it's too late unless your exhibit runs into the next month. But don't wait for the last minute - send your info now.

Be part of the May issue which could have even more pages of ads and articles.

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Call 859.2828 for information.

Gallery Hours: Tuesday - Saturday, 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.

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Jan Lukens ~ Valerie Hinz
Joan MacIntyre ~ Jill Silver
Tucker Bailey ~ Rick Conn
Charles Harpt ~ Sarah Holmberg
Richard Christian Nelson

Opening Reception Saturday, April 16th 5-8pm

Three other galleries hosting openings for a 'Gallery Crawl' in downtown Tryon-Home of the Blockhouse Steeplechase!

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