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ted to shaping the cultural identity of Alamance County by making art a tangible presence in the lives of its citizens. We strive to enhance the quality of life by engaging people in a diverse array of art through the delivery of programming and education, and through the provision of facilities, advocacy, promotion, and funding. **Ongoing** - Picasso's Gift Shop, located in the Captain White House, promises unique finds of local, regional, and international art. The beautiful arts and craft items sold in the store help support the artist in the community. Featuring a wide variety of art, pottery and glass. Admission: free. Hours: Mon.-Sat., 9am-5pm. Contact: 336/226-4495 or at (www.artsalamance.com).

Asheboro

Sara Smith Self Gallery, W.H. Moring, Jr. Arts Center,123 Sunset Avenue, Asheboro. Apr. 1 - 29 - "Cori Cagle". A reception will be held on Apr. 1, beginning at 5:30pm. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 10am-5pm & Sat., 10am-2pm. Contact: 336/629-0399 or at (www.randolphartsguild.com).

Asheville Area



Pierre Daura, "Chicken House and Jump Mountain", 1962, watercolor and tempera, 15 x 22 inches. Gift of Martha R. Daura. Asheville Art Museum Collection.

Asheville Art Museum, 2 South Pack Square at Pack Place, Asheville. Through May 25 -"Blueprints: A Collaboration," celebrates the collaboration of two important contemporary artists, Susan Weil and José Betancourt. Alongside these evocative works, the Museum is pleased to show a selection of Susan Weil's Livres d'Artistes, which are also spirited collaborations. Through May 18 - "Social Geographies: Interpreting Space and Place". The art world operates within geographic frameworks. Spatial divisions between "inside" and "outside" impact how the art world describes, identifies and validates artists featured within the exhibition, Social Geographies: Interpreting Space and Place. Whether deemed "outsider" - Henry Darger, Martín Ramírez, George Widener - or "self-taught" - Thornton Dial, Sr., Minnie Evans, Lonnie Holley – these artists bear categorical markers that organize their art but do not adequately speak of their art's unique qualities and circumstances. In response to such prescriptive terms, "Social Geographies" asks viewers to experience artwork regarded as different, differently. Through June 22 - "Pierre Daura: Modernist in the Mountains," features the beautiful artwork of artist Pierre Daura, including many mountain landscapes - scenes that residents of Western North Carolina will feel connected to. In 1998, the Museum received a gift of 36 paintings by Pierre Daura, given by the artist's daughter Martha R. Daura, and the Museum is thrilled to be showing some of the works. East Wing, Upstairs Gallery, Through July 20 - "Ralph Burns: A Persistence of Vision -Photographs 1972-2013". Burns has long been recognized as a documentary photographer whose images have captured the diverse and enigmatic nature of ritual and religion, and who has explored the subjective and often defining nature of belief, worship and culture. Like his predecessors - such as Walker Evans, Diane Arbus, Mary Ellen Mark and Robert Frank -Burns uses his cameras to probe a constantly shifting human landscape and to document the public and private aspects of culture and religion in transition, often working at the unclear and overlapping intersection of both. Holden Community Gallery, Through June 22 - "Take 10: Collectors' Circle 10th Anniversary," celebrates the generosity of the Asheville Art Museum's Collectors' Circle, a membership group that encourages the exchange of ideas and interests, art learning, connoisseurship and collecting. As a vibrant and critical source of support, they are dedicated to growing the Museum's Permanent Collection through annual gifts of artwork, selected and presented in partnership with the curatorial staff. This exhibition presents a wide variety of gifts to the Museum by this dynamic group and includes works of art from the Circles' first 10 years. Admission: Yes. Hours: Tue.-Sat., 10am-5pm; Fri. till 8pm

& Sun., 1-5pm. Contact: 828/253-3227 or at

(www.ashevilleart.org).



Work by Pat Perkerson

Asheville Gallery of Art, Ltd., 16 College Street, Asheville. Apr. 1 - 30 - "Evolution Series," features Reda Kay's mysterious landscapes using watercolor, ink, and acrylic on canvas and board. A reception will be held on Apr. 4, from 5-8pm. Her contemporary art unfolds using spectrums of bold and monotone colors, and textures. Her creative work reflects the mindful passage of shared time and evolution emphasizing our journey as uniting our collective spirit and the natural environment. Her emotions and spirit direct her work. Ongoing - Featuring original works of art by 28 local artists in oils, acrylics, watercolor, pastel, encaustic, and prints. Hours: M.-Sat., 10am-5-:30pm and first Fri. of the month till 8pm. Contact: 828/251-5796 or at

(www.ashevillegallery-of-art.com).

Black Mountain College Museum + Arts Center, 56 Broadway, Asheville. Through May 17 - "Cynthia Homire: Vision Quest". The exhibition will focus on the work of poet, potter and visual artist Cynthia Homire, a Black Mountain College alumna, now in her early 80s, who has worked in a variety of media over the course of her prolific career. Homire was a student at Black Mountain College from 1950-1954, where she studied with Charles Olson, Robert Creeley, and M. C. Richards, among many others. Homire describes this seminal experience with her typical humor and grace. Ongoing - An exhibition space dedicated to exploring the history and legacy of the world's most acclaimed experimental educational community, Black Mountain College. Hours: Wed.-Sat., noon-4pm or by appt. Contact: 828/350-8484 or at (www. blackmountaincollege.org).

Blowers Gallery, main floor of UNCA's Ramsey Library, Asheville. Apr. 10-13 - "International Photo Exhibit". Part of UNC-Asheville Arts Fest. This exhibition presents the winners of the International Photo Contest held annually by UNC Asheville's International Studies Program and Study Abroad Office. Hours: regular library hours. Contact: 828/251-6546.

Flood Gallery Fine Arts Center, 109 Roberts St., Asheville. Ongoing - Dedicated to advancing the careers of emerging and mid career artists, as well as educating the public and furthering the understanding of contemporary art and its importance within the community and beyond. Hours: Mon.-Sat., 10am-4pm. Contact: 828/255-0066 or at (www.philmechanicstudios.com).

Guild Crafts of Southern Highland Craft Guild, 930 Tunnel Road, Asheville. **Ongoing -** Work by members of the Southern Highland Craft Guild in various media. Hours: Mon.-Sat., 9:30am-5pm. Contact: 828/298-7903.

Highsmith Art and Intercultural Gallery, UNC Asheville, Asheville. Apr. 10-13 - "New Media 13th Annual Juried Student Exhibition". Part of UNC-Asheville Arts Fest. The new media works make use of cutting-edge technology to create and express new ideas in responsive design, storytelling, visualizing information, animation, video, installation and performance, with content and themes that include science, literature, music, history and multiculturalism. Hours: 9am-6pm. Contact: (http://arts.unca.edu/artsfest).

NC Homespun Museum, next to Grovewood Gallery, at Grove Park Inn, 111 Grovewood Road, Asheville. Ongoing - Featuring the Conway Collection of Appalachian Crafts, owned by Mr. and Mrs. Bob Conway, who began collecting over 40 years ago while visiting the Southern Highland Craftsman Fair at the Civic Center in downtown Asheville. They also collected pottery & other traditional crafts from the Crafts Center during the State Fairs in Raleigh. Hours: Mon.- Sat., 10am-5pm & Sun., 1-5pm. Contact: 828/253-7651.

Southern Highland Craft Gallery, 26 Lodge Street, former Biltmore Oteen Bank Building in

Biltmore Village, Asheville. **Ongoing -** Featuring a wide range of work by members of the Southern Highland Craft Guild. including: pottery, glass, wood, jewelry, fiber, metal, paper, mixed media and natural materials. Hours: Mon.-Sat., 10am-7-pm & Sun. noon-5pm. Contact: 828-277-6222 or at (www.craftguild.org).

New Location

The Center for Craft, Creativity and Design, 67 Broadway, Asheville. Through May 10 - "Taking Shape: Celebrating the Windgate Fellowship". The show was juried by Cindi Strauss, the curator of Modern and Contemporary Decorative Arts and Design at The Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, and features works from 14 of the 50 artists who were awarded Windgate Fellowships in the first five years of the program. Hours: Tue.-Sat., 10am-6pm. Contact: call 828/785-1357 or at (www.craftcreativitydesign.org).



Work by Barbara Swinea

The Folk Art Center of the Southern Highland Craft Guild, Blue Ridge Parkway Milepost 382, Asheville. Main Gallery, Through May 11 - "Eyecatchers: The Hunter Collection". From the collection of Robert & Barbara Hunter, this exhibition highlights a variety of designs, fabrics and techniques found in traditional and contemporary quilts. An important side benefit has been getting acquainted with quilt artists both here and abroad, developing a fascination with their varied designs, the fabrics and combinations used, stimulating learning about the many techniques chosen, prompting more reading of quilt books and other related publications. Permanent Collection Gallery, Ongoing - "Craft Traditions: The Southern Highland Craft Guild Collection". The Guild's Permanent Collection is comprised of approximately 2400 craft objects and dates from the late 19th century to present. Beginning with a donation from Frances Goodrich in 1931, the Permanent Collection serves the Guild's mission of craft conservation and education. This new installation will feature over 200 works that highlight our holdings in traditional art: woodcarving, pottery, dolls, basketry, weavings and furniture. The subject of this ongoing exhibition is craft history – that of the Southern Highland Craft Guild and the Studio Craft Movement. Focus Gallery, Through Apr. 29 - "Making An Impression," featuring work by members in a variety of media including: Enid Adams (fiber wearables), Peggy DeBell (mixed media textiles), Ursula Goebels-Ellis (clay sculpture), and Janice Maddox (art quilting). Objects will change as pieces sell. Hours: daily from 9am-6pm. Contact: 828/298-7928 or at (www.southernhighlandguild.org).

The Odyssey Gallery, 238 Clingman Ave., Asheville. Ongoing - Our gallery exhibits new work by many of the fine ceramic artists who have been part of Odyssey during the last 20 years. The gallery also serves to inspire and educate the community and our students about the nature of clay and the variety of ways clay can be used, enjoyed, valued and collected. Hours: Tue.-Sat., 10:30am-4:30pm. Contact: 828/285-9700 or at (www.highwaterclays.com).

YMI Gallery, YMI Cultural Center, 39 S. Market Street @ Eagle Street, Asheville. Ongoing - "In the Spirit of Africa". Featuring traditional and contemporary African masks, figurative woodcarvings, beadwork, jewelry, and textiles. Discover the purpose of mask and sculptures, which reflect African ancestral heritage and learn to appreciate symbolism and abstraction in African art. YMI Conference Room, Ongoing - "Forebears & Trailblazers: Asheville's African American Leaders, 1800s - 1900s". The permanent exhibit offers a pictorial history of African-Americans from throughout Western North Carolina. Photographs of both influential and everyday people create a panorama of the variety of life among blacks in the mountain region. Here are the young and old, the prominent and the unknown, the men and women who helped create our city's life. YMI Drugstore Gallery, Ongoing - "Mirrors of Hope and Dignity". A moving and powerful collection of drawings by the renowned African-American artist Charles W. White. Entry, Ongoing - "George Vanderbilt's Young Men's Institute, 1892-Present". Admission: Yes. Hours: Tue.-Fri., 10am-5pm. Contact: 828/252-4614.

ALTERNATE ART SPACES - Asheville Asheville Regional Airport (AVL) art gallery,

61 Terminal Drive, just off I-26, Fletcher. **Through May 14** - Featuring six paintings by Lynn Padgett of Rutherfordton, NC. Padgett enjoys both drawing and painting. Her work ranges from finely detailed nature drawings in pen and ink to acrylic abstracts and collages. Hours: regular airport hours. Contact: call Callie Polk, Marketing and Public Relations Specialist at 828-654-3236 or e-mail to (cpolk@flyavl.com).

Highsmith University Union, The Grotto, UNC Asheville, Asheville. Apr. 11-12 - Featuring Specially Selected Film and Video by Mass Communication Students. Part of UNC-Asheville Arts Fest. Friday evening's show will feature a juried collection of 2013 "Best of" short works including comedy, horror and more. Saturday evening's show features award winning Team UNCA "48 Hour" films, and the debut of four shorts that combine to create a feature film celebrating Asheville. (*Viewer discretion is advised.) Hours: 7-9pm. Contact: (http://arts.unca.edu/artsfest).

Lipinsky Hall Lobby, UNC Asheville, Asheville. Apr. 10-13 - "David Holt's Musical Mentor Photography Exhibit. Part of UNC-Asheville Arts Fest. Holt's black and white film portraits of some of Appalachian music's greatest talents and his personal mentors, including the late Doc Watson and Grandpa Jones, will be shown for the first time. Hours: day and evening. Contact: (http://arts.unca.edu/artsfest).

The North Carolina Arboretum, Milepost 393, Blue Ridge Parkway, 100 Frederick Law Olmsted Way, Asheville. Ongoing - The Asheville Quilt Guild features a permanent, rotating quilt exhibit at Arboretum's Education Center. Visitors can also enjoy the Arboretum's Quilt Garden year-round, with plantings and patterns that change with the seasons. Admission: Yes. Hours: Education Center hours: Mon.-Sat., 9am-5pm. Contact: 828/665.2492 or at (www.ncarboretum.org).

Blowing Rock

Blowing Rock Art and History Museum, corner of Chestnut and Main streets, downtown Blowing Rock. Ongoing - the BRAHM will host exhibits, educational programs and classes that promote the visual arts, history and heritage of the mountains of western North Carolina. Admission: Yes. The Museum will be free on Thursdays from 4-7pm. Hours: Tue., Wed., Fri., & Sat., 10am-5-pm; Thur., 10am-7pm; and Sun., 1-5pm. Contact: 828/295-9099 or at (www.blowingrockmuseum. org).

Parkway Craft Center, of the Southern Highland Craft Guild, at the Moses Cone Manor, Milepost 294, Blue Ridge Parkway, Blowing Rock.
Ongoing - Featuring the work of members of the Southern Highland Craft Guild members in various media. Demonstrations offered each month. Hours: daily 9am - 5pm. Contact: 828/295-7938 or e-mail at (parkwaycraft@bellsouth.net).

Boone

Appalachian Cultural Museum, University Hall Drive, off Hwy. 321 (Blowing Rock Road), Boone. Ongoing - The permanent exhibit area includes, TIME AND CHANGE, featuring thousands of objects ranging from fossils to Winston Cup race cars to the Yellow Brick Road, a section of the now closed theme park, "The Land of Oz". Admission: Yes. Hours: Tue.-Sat., 10am-5pm & Sun., 1-5pm. Contact: 828/262-3117.

Turchin Center for the Visual Arts, Appalachian State University, 423 West King Street, Boone. Galleries A and Mayer Gallery, West Wing, Apr. 4 - Aug. 2 - "Legacy, Tradition, Reinvention - Penland Resident Artists". Located just 45 miles from the Turchin Center, nestled In the Blue Hidge Mountains, is one of the most unique artistic educational facilities in the nation. Penland School of Crafts is a national center for craft education, hosting workshops of all varieties. Approximately 1,200 people come to Penland for instruction each year and another 14,000 visit the Penland Gallery and Visitor Center. Gallery B. Apr. 4 - Aug. 2 - "Ivan Fortushniak: In Christ Alone". Heavily influenced by early Modern American Art of the 19th century, the motivation behind Ivan Fortushniak's recent work is to convey the dire state of man and their need for what the Gospel offers. Some of these paintings convey biblical references through collaged material from art historical texts while others use appropriated figurative imagery from Winslow Homer and are juxtaposed with water-towers, smokestacks and aircraft. The re-contextualization of these figures creates multiple time frames to convey that the concerns for the heart and soul are the same in the present as they were in the past. Main Gallery, East Wing, Through June 7 -"William Dunlap - Geography Matters, North Carolina Collectors". The exhibition captures Dunlap's vast works from personal collections across North Carolina. Dunlap says that he became familiar with the power of place in art

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