

ArtFields© 2016 in Lake City, SC

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canvas!" Taking place in downtown Lake City, participants are encouraged to come be a part of this colorful ArtFields© experience. To register, visit the website.

Makers Market, Saturday, Apr. 23, from 11am-5pm. The Makers Market will showcase unique handcrafted and grown goods by artists and farmers from across the Southeast. Products and goods for sale include ceramics, jewelry, traditional fine art, woodworking and furniture, specialty foods and more unique treasures to explore. Demonstrations include natural indigo dyeing, ceramics, blacksmithing, soap making and woodworking.

Music on the Green, Saturday, Apr. 23, from 6:30-10pm. Local band Hercules Farms opens the event with folk and soul tunes and bluegrass/Americana group Mountain Faith Band, a 2015 semi-finalist on NBC's "America's Got Talent," will follow.

Family Fun & Art on the Green, Sunday, Apr. 24, from 1-6pm. Join us on the Village Green for a day filled with outdoor art, games, music and art vendors. From 2-5pm, ArtFields© Jr. ArtMakers Workshop will take place, which is an exploration of art experiences for children grades K-12. Participants can select from a variety of art-based activities and create their own personal works of art with artists and organizations from across the state. For \$5.00, students can become part of the ArtFields© Jr. ArtMakers Workshop. Tickets available on the website.

Dandelion Gala – A Culinary & Musical Experience in White, Thursday, Apr. 28, from 6-10pm. Chef LaTasha Mac, season 13 winner of FOX's "Hell's Kitchen," will prepare a variety of handcrafted hors d'oeuvres. Louise Latour, founded in 1797, will provide a selection of French wines paired to enhance the flavors of the evening accompanied by a full bar. Guests decked out in all white attire will enjoy the sounds of gospel, soul and R&B-infused artist Liz Vice from Portland, OR. Tickets are available on the website.

Foodies, Film and Music, Friday, Apr. 29, from 6-9:30pm. To start the evening, Plastic Musik will perform in the Village



"Wake", by Randy Gachet of Birmingham, AL

Green complete with boomwhackers, buckets and kiddie pools as they put their radical twist on the greatest hits of our time. Guests can grab some grub from one of the food trucks and watch the premier outdoor screening of award-winning films from the Indie Grits film festival, held this spring in Columbia, South Carolina.

Portrait Contest, Saturday, Apr. 30, from 10am-2pm. Twenty-four Southeastern artists compete for "Best in Show" and a \$1,000 cash prize by creating timed portraits of local educators.

Finale, Saturday, Apr. 30, from 6:30-11pm. Celebrate the competition artists of 2016 and the selected winners. There will be excellent food, "Air Art" and the soulful sounds of The Heather Hayes Experience, daughter of famed singer-songwriter Isaac Hayes.

ArtFields is a charitable program and event of the Lake City Creative Alliance, which is sponsored by Lake City Partnership Council, a federally-recognized Section 501(c)(3) organization located in Lake City, South Carolina. Its mission is to improve the quality of life and promote the well-being of citizens residing within the greater Lake City area through, among other things, educational offerings and activities that foster and develop culture and arts within the community.

To learn more about ArtFields© 2016 events and to plan your trip, visit (www.artfieldssc.org). Join the conversation by following the festival on Twitter (@ArtFieldsSC) and using and searching the hashtag (#ArtFields2016). For even more ArtFields© 2016 updates, like ArtFields© on Facebook and follow the competition on Instagram.

Florence Regional Arts Alliance in Florence, SC, Offers Works by Jen Ervin

The Florence Regional Arts Alliance in Florence, SC, is pleased to collaborate with the Florence County Museum and introduce a spring exhibition in the Florence County Museum's Waters Gallery featuring the work of Jen Ervin. *Along the River: The Polaroid Work of Jen Ervin* traces the stories, heritage and landscape of a southern family's experiences within the Pee Dee.

The exhibition will be on view from Apr. 4 through June 10, 2016. A reception will be held on May 10, beginning at 6pm, in conjunction with the Florence Regional Arts Alliance's Arts Awards Presentations. These prestigious awards annually recognize the important contributions that individuals, groups and businesses make to the cultural life of the community. Ervin will also conduct a gallery talk on May 11, at 11am describing the exhibition. The talk is free and open to the public.

Ervin specializes in film-based photography. Born in Pompton Plains, NJ, the artist moved to Florence, SC, in her formative years. She received her MFA in Graphic Design from Boston University, and a BA in Fine Art from Francis Marion University. Originally a painter, Ervin became interested in photography during her graduate studies under the tutelage of Alston Purvis, former student of master photographer, Walker Evans.

Motherhood soon followed graduation, initiating a more personal exploration of photography as medium. She actively exhibits her work and has been published on Page 34 - Carolina Arts, April 2016



Work by Jen Ervin

Aint-Bad, Lenscratch, Don't Take Pictures and Feature Shoot. Her Polaroids have been exhibited in galleries and museums alongside notable photographers such as William Christenberry, Sally Mann, William Eggleston, Andy Warhol, Kathleen Robbins and Susan Worsham. Ervin currently lives in Charleston, SC, with her husband and their three daughters.

The Florence Regional Arts Alliance invites Florence County and its visitors to

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Yvette Cummings

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enjoy this series, which aims to tie current family history to the past.

This exhibition is made possible through the generous support of individual donors and the support of First Reliance Bank.

The Florence County Museum's Waters Gallery is located on South Dargan Street.

The Florence Regional Arts Alliance is a community-based local arts agency that serves the citizens of Florence County and the Pee Dee. FRAA is committed to preserving, supporting and promoting a vibrant arts community for Florence County and the surrounding region. This organization is funded in part by local support and the South Carolina Arts Commission, which receives support from the National Endowment for the Arts.



Work by Jen Ervin

For further information check our SC Institutional Gallery listings, call Uschi Jeffcoat, FRAA director at 843/407-3092 or visit (www.florenceartsalliance.org).

Seacoast Artists Guild in Myrtle Beach Offers Annual Guild Show

The Seacoast Artists Guild in Myrtle Beach, SC, will present the *13th Annual Spring Art Show and Sale*, on view at the Seacoast Artists Gallery, located in at Seacoast Artists Guild, the former Air Force Base in Myrtle Beach, from Apr. 15 - 25, 2016. An awards reception will take place on Apr. 16, from 4-6pm.

Artwork in this judged show will include paintings in acrylic, oil and watercolor, 3D, and fiber art by members of the Seacoast Artists Guild. All artwork on display in the show will be for sale to the public.

Artwork will be judged in the following categories: 2 dimensional, 3 dimensional, and fiber art. The following cash prizes will be awarded: First Place Award recipients will receive a blue ribbon and \$300; Second Place Award recipients will receive a red ribbon and \$150; and Third Place Award recipients will receive a white ribbon and \$75. There will also be ribbons available to be awarded for art judged to be of Honorable Mention. The number of prizes awarded is dependent upon the number of entries in each category.

The judge for the Seacoast Artists

Guild's *Spring Show* will be Steven Bleicher. For more than three and a half years, Bleicher was the associate dean of the Thomas W. and Robin W. Edwards College of Humanities and Fine Arts at Coastal Carolina University. Currently, he is the director of Special Programs and Projects. He is a tenured professor of visual arts and former chairperson of the visual arts department at CCU. Previously, he was a senior faculty member in the arts and humanities program at The Art Institute of Fort Lauderdale. Bleicher received his BFA and MFA from Pratt Institute.

Bleicher has worked and taught at the New York Studio School of Drawing, Painting and Sculpture, the State University of New York, Brooklyn College and Marian College. In addition, he has served as the assistant dean of the School of Art and Design at the Fashion Institute of Technology (FIT). He is a member of the College Art Association (CAA), Foundations in Art: Theory and Education (FATE), International Council of Fine Arts Deans (ICFAD), Southeastern College Art Conference (SECAC), Mid-America College Art Association (MACAA).

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