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May 29 - July 27 - "Caroline Coven: Paintings on Paper". A reception will be held on May 29, from 6-8pm. Coven's paintings combining organic and geometric shapes. The maps serve as the organic element and the squares are the geometric elements. By placing them together as a whole image on the picture plane the artist builds the relationship between the organic and the geometric structure and adds color and transparency. Combining these tools she strives to make conflicting elements become harmonious. 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 May 31 - "Contemporary Japanese Ceramics from the Collection of Carol and Jeffrey Horvitz". Working with Boston-based collectors Carol and Jeffrey Horvitz, the Ackland is presenting changing installations selected from their comprehensive holdings of recent and contemporary Japanese ceramics. Among the most innovative and experimental practitioners of contemporary Japanese art, these ceramicists have explored the wide and fascinating range of expressive possibilities offered by clay and glazes. Through June 7 - "Adding to the Mix 9: Marcel Duchamp's "From or by Marcel Duchamp or Rrose Sélavy" (1966)". Recently acquired by the Ackland, "From or by Marcel Duchamp or Rrose Sélavy" (1966) is a masterpiece of twentieth-century art, a key work by one of the seminal artists of the period. If Pablo Picasso (1881-1973) and Henri Matisse (1869-1954) stand as the most influential figures in the histories of modern painting and sculpture, their contemporary Marcel Duchamp (1887-1968) decisively affected the most radical and conceptual tendencies in art, offering pointed, witty, and enigmatic critiques of visual representation, the status of the work of art, the role of creativity, and the place of institutions. This so-called "boîte" (box) contains 80 miniature and small-scale reproductions of the artist's works, ranging from his avant-garde paintings (such as the famous Nude Descending a Staircase which scandalized New York at the Armory Show in 1913) to his provocative "ready-mades" (such as the 1917 Fountain, an inverted urinal signed with the pseudonym "R. Mutt"). Through June 7 - "The Land of No Things: Selected Works by the MFA Class of 2015". Guest curator Chris Vitiello says, "1. Be wary of objects. 2. Express something by making objects. 3. Therefore, be wary of the objects that you make. The eleven artists in the UNC-Chapel Hill's MFA Class of 2015 share this conflicted position in a variety of ways. They are deeply, even ethically aware of their role as cultural producers in an era of hyper-production, environmental exhaustion, labor virtualization and seemingly infinite commercial availability. If they could make no things, they would. But if they are going to add an object to this world, it will express its own justification for being." Participating artists include: Peter Barnett, Anna Delgado, Mijoo Kim, Katy Mixon, Naomi Elizabeth O'Donnell, Eric Pickersgill, Shane Smith, Sydney Steen, Allison Tierney, Amy White, and Gesche Würfel. Through Dec. 31 - "Highlights from the Permanent Collection." The Ackland Art Museum presents a major reinstallation of highlights from its diverse permanent collection of over 17,000 works of art. The first presentations include The Western Tradition. from Ancient art to twentiethcentury art; Art from West Africa; Art from China and Japan; and Art from Southern and Western Asia. 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 May 3 - "Reflections," featuring works by members of the Art Therapy Institute. Through June 7 - "5th Annual Members' Spotlight". 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).

The Sonja Haynes Stone Center for Black Culture and History, UNC-Chapel Hill, 150 South Road, Chapel Hill. Robert and Sallie Brown Gallery, Through May 11 - "Ritual + Time Travel = Rebirth: Images and Words by Michael Platt and Carol Beane". The exhibition features the work of married artists Michael Platt and Carol Beane. Platt creates artwork that centers on figurative explorations of life's survivors, the marginalized, referencing history and circumstance in the rites, rituals and expressions of our human condition. For Platt and Beane, the creation of these images and poems was an endeavor-typical of their usual manner of sharing the same living, working, cooking, creative/creating space...thoughtful, mostly easy, together trying to find just the right combination of elements to "make magic." Hours: Mon.-Fri., 10am-8pm. Contact: 919/962-9001 or at (http://sonjahaynesstonectr. unc.edu/).

## **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.

Bechtler Museum of Modern Art, Levine Center for the Arts, 420 South Tryon St., Charlotte. Fourth-Floor Gallery, Through Sept. 7 - "The Art Books of Henri Matisse". Featuring an exhibition of art books by one of the greatest artists of the 20th century, Henri Matisse (1869-1954). Drawn from the Bank of America Collection, the exhibition includes 80 framed original illustrations with text from some of Matisse's most significant books. Best known for his boldly colored paintings, Matisse created a body of work that also included drawings, prints, cut-outs and sculpture, as well as costume and stage set designs. The artist didn't create illustrated books until his late 60s, but the same flowing lines that characterized his oils and pencil studies were carried over to the printmaking medium. 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. 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-3-pm; Fri., 5-9pm; Sat., noon-4pm; Sun., 1-5pm. Closed Dec. 22-Jan. 1. Contact: 704/376-2787 or at (www.charlotteartleague.org).

Davidson College Art Galleries, Belk Visual rts Center, 315 North Main and Griffith Streets, Davidson. Smith Gallery, Through May 6 - "2015 Annual Student Art Exhibition". Hours: Mon.-Fri., 10am-5pm and Sat. & Sun., noon-4pm. Contact: 704/894-2519 or at (www.davidsoncollegeartgalleries.org).

Elizabeth Ross Gallery, Central Piedmont Community College, Central Campus, Overcash Performing Arts Center, Elizabeth Avenue and Kings Dr., Charlotte. Ross Gallery, Through July 14 - "Shaun Cassidy: The Sound of Everything". In this new body of work, Cassidy will create sculptural equivalents of the emotional and associative resonances of specific musical sounds. Each work, through its form, composition, stance and color, attempts to capture specific nonverbal feelings. This exhibition will consist of seven steel, powder-coated sculptures ranging in size, shape and color.

British born artist Shaun Cassidy has been making work in the US since 1991. He studied sculpture in England and Canada and worked as a studio assistant for Sir Anthony Caro in London. His work spans a diverse range of materials, processes and ideas and has been featured in Sculpture Magazine, Art in America and the Wall Street Journal. Hours: Mon.-Thur., 10am-2pm. Contact: 704/330-6211.

Harvey B. Gantt Center for African-American Arts & Culture, Levine Center for the Arts, 551 S. Tryon St., Charlotte. Through June 26 - "Venturing Out of the Heart of Darkness". Compelled by this quote from Joseph Conrad's "Heart of Darkness", questions about the modern day effects and legacy of Empire on descendants of the African Diaspora emerge. In an attempt to comprehend the influences of Empire on the development of an economized and psychological notion of blackness as a modern day monolith, the Harvey B. Gantt Center presents the exhibition "Venturing Out of the Heart of Darkness". Curated by Rehema Barber, the exhibition will examine the longstanding impact of colonialism on prevailing societal attitudes that define black culture in America and in the world and feature national and international artists of the African Diaspora. 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.

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).



Fuga, Ricardo "Chino" Morales, Oil on canvas

**Latin American Contemporary Art Projects** (LaCa), 1429 Bryant Street, in the heart of the revitalized FreeMoreWest neighborhood, Charlotte. Through June 5 - "Collective". The exhibit features close to fifty works by nine renowned artists from multiple Latin American countries, and celebrates LaCa's two-year anniversary. The works in this exhibition feature an array of styles and mediums, including charcoal, oil and acrylic on canvas, pastels, mixed media, and ceramic. The show will also feature brand-new works from some of the participating artists. 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).

Mint Museum Randolph, 2730 Randolph Road, Charlotte. 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 between 1920 and 1950 as potters from NC adapted their works to a market economy. "Art of the United States," featuring contemporary works from the Mint's permanent collection, including works by Romare Bearden, Maud Gatewood, John Biggers Juan Logan, Tarlton Blackwell, Radcliffe Bailey, Kojo Griffin, and others. "Art in the Americas," featuring paintings, precious metalwork, sculpture, furniture and decorative arts from the 17th through the 19th centuries illustrate the unique culture that emerged from the Spanish colonization of the Americas. Crosland Gallery - Featuring a presentation of portraits with many fascinating images presented. Rankin Gallery -Featuring a presentation of the Romare Bearden Collection, including two "new" Beardens. Harris and Crist Galleries - Featuring some contemporary works that are new to the collection or have not been seen for a while. Delhom Gallery, Ongoing - The European Collection of ceramic works. Admission: Yes. Hours: Wed., 11am-9pm (free admission 5-9pm); Thur.-Sat., 11am-6pm; & Sun., 1-5pm. Contact: 704/337-2000 or at (www. mintmuseum.org).



"Liza Minnelli," Andy Warhol, 1979, ©The Andy Warhol Foundation for the Visual Arts, Inc. / Artist Rights Society (ARS), New York. Image courtesy of The Andy Warhol Museum

Mint Museum Uptown, Levine Center for the Arts, 500 South Tryon St., Charlotte. **Through** June 14 - "Halston and Warhol: Silver and Suede," featuring a captivating exhibition that, for the first time, unites the work of Roy Halston Frowick and Andy Warhol, offering a unique perspective on the intersections between their lives and creative practice. In the worlds of fashion and art during the second half of the twentieth century, few figures are as iconic as Roy Halston Frowick and Andy Warhol. "Silver and Suede" is a captivating exhibition that, for the first time, unites the work of these two legendary men, offering a unique perspective on the intersections between their lives and creative practice. Organized by The Andy Warhol Museum in collaboration with Lesley Frowick (the niece of Halston), Halston and Warhol integrates approximately 40 of Halston's creations, including the iconic pillbox hat designed for Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis and his signature Ultrasuede shirtdress, with a broad selection of paintings, photographs, and videos by Warhol. It also features a variety of archival material and ephemera that further link the two men both creatively and socially and explore their shared influences and interests. Through **Sept. 6 -** "Body Embellishmen". The exhibition explores the most innovative artistic expression in the 21st-century international arenas of body extension, augmentation, and modification. The human impulse to ornament the body is an ancient desire that crosses cultures. Seeking to modify the natural skin and shape of the body, people have created imaginative ways to expand and distort, and add color, pattern, and narrative. Focused on twenty-first century innovators, this exhibition provides a glimpse at inventive designers from around the world who explore the role of the body and its embellishment. Ongo-

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