NC Institutional Galleries

Aberdeen

The Exchange Street Gallery of Fine Art, 129 Exchange Street, in the old Aberdeen Rockfish Railroad storage terminal, Aberdeen. Ongoing - The Artist's League of the Sandhills currently houses 35 artists-in-residence studios and offers classes by local professional artists and workshops by nationally known artists. Hours: Mon.-Sat., noon -3pm. Contact: 910/944-3979, or at (www.artistleague.org).

Alamance County

BAL Gallery, Holly Hill Mall and Business Center, 309 Huffman Mill Rd., Exit 141 off of 185/140, Burlington. Ongoing - Since the beginning of Burlington Artists League in 1972, we have grown to represent many local artists in our immediate area. BAL's express purpose is to promote and elevate the area artists and their fine art spirit in Burlington, NC, and surrounding areas, thereby creating outlets for the artists and encourging their continuing efforts to improve and create more art work. Along with wall art and bin reproductions, the BAL Artists Gallery also includes 3-D art such as sculptures and pottery. Hours: Mon.-Fri., noon-8pm; Sat., 10am-9pm, & Sun. for special events. Contact: 336-584-3005 or at (http://balartists. com/joomla/).



Work by Leonard Nimoy

1873 Capt. James & Emma Holt White House. 213 South Main Street, 2 1/2 blocks off I85/40, exit#147, Graham. Home of the Alamance County Arts Council. Sisters Galleries, Through July 15 - "On the Other Side of the Lens: The Photography of Leonard Nimoy". Leonard Nimoy (1931-2015), famous for his iconic on-screen role as Star Trek's Captain Spock, was also a nationally acclaimed photographer. Beginning at an early age, experimenting with cameras and images as a young teenager, Nimoy went on to study photography at UCLA and later received an "artist in residence" position at the American Academy in Rome. This exhibition includes 43 photographs and does contain some nudity. Ongoing - We are committed 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).

Albemarle

Falling Rivers Gallery, 119 West Main St., next to Starnes jewelers, Albemarle. Ongoing - The gallery is a cooperative venue of the Stanly Arts Guild. Member staffed, this gallery offers the very best in local art and crafts including oil and watercolor, photography, pottery and ceramic art, jewelry, native American art, gourd sculpture and much more. Hours: Tue.-Fri., 10am-5pm; Thur. till 6:30pm & Sat., 10am-4pm. Contact: 704/983-4278 or at (www.fallingriversgallery.com).

Asheboro

Sara Smith Self Gallery, W.H. Moring, Jr. Arts Center,123 Sunset Avenue, Asheboro. June 2 - 30 - "33rd Juried Art Show," juried by Linda Johnson Dougherty, A reception will be held on June 2, beginning at 5:30pm. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 10am-5pm & Sat., 10am-2pm. Contact: 336/629-0399 or at (www.randolphartsguild.com).

Asheville Area

Asheville Area Arts Council Gallery, The Grove Arcade, 1 Page Avenue, Suite 143A, downtown Asheville. Through June 15 - "Working Memory," featuring works by Asheville artist Mark Flowers. A reception will be held on June 5, from 5-8pm. His mixed media works on wood combine found objects, manipulated surfaces and imagery. He has a BFA from University of South Carolina and an MFA from Western Michigan University. He has had 28 one-person exhibitions of his work starting with one at the Asheville Art Museum in 1980. Hours: Mon.-Sat., 10am-6pm. Contact: 828/258-0710 or at (http://ashevillearts.com/).



Eugene Thomason, "Bootleggers Run", oil on board, 18 x 22 inches. Courtesy of the Johnson Collection.

Asheville Art Museum, 2 South Pack Square at Pack Place, Asheville. Through Sept. 13 -"From New York to Nebo: The Artistic Journey of Eugene Thomason". The exhibition is an in-depth study of the life, subjects and style of the "Ashcan artist of Appalachia," Eugene Healan Thomason (1895-1972). A product of the industrialized New South, Thomason as a young man in the 1920s made the pilgrimage to New York to advance his art education and launch his career. Like so many other aspiring American artists, he understood that the city offered unparalleled personal and professional opportunities — prestigious schools, groundbreaking teachers and an intoxicating cosmopolitan milieu. Through Aug. 16 - "Flourish: Selected Jewelry from the Daphne Farago Collection". The exhibition presents contemporary jewelry exemplifying the creativity in this specialized craft. Each diverse work of art speaks to history, ideas, craftsmanship, materials and process. Looking closely at each piece, visitors will see how the craft has evolved since the 1940s and explore themes such as teaching and education, sculpture and the body, and new materiality and production methods. Beginning in the late 1980s, Daphne Farago collected an impressive collection of museum-quality contemporary jewelry that surveyed studio jewelry practice by a wide range of artists from the 1940s to contemporary times. Her collection now resides at the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, MA. We are grateful to the MFA for their loan of such exquisite examples of contemporary jewelry, which we are proud to present to our visitors. Gallery Six, Through July 12 - "Keep All You Wish: The Photographs of Hugh Mangum," curated by Sarah Stacke. Inside or outside his photo studio, Hugh Mangum (1877–1922) created an atmosphere –respectful and often playful - in which hundreds of men, women and children genuinely revealed themselves. Keep All You Wish: The Photographs of Hugh Mangum features a selection of images of early 20th century Southern society that show personalities as immediate as if they were taken yesterday. Born and raised in Durham, NC, Mangum began establishing studios and working as an itinerant photographer in the early 1890s, traveling by rail through North Carolina, Virginia and West Virginia. Appleby Memorial Foundation Gallery, Through June 14 - "Jack Tworkov: Beyond Black Mountain, Selected Works From 1952-1982". A founding member of the New York School, Jack Tworkov (1900–1982) is regarded as one of the great American artists of the 20th century, along with Willem de Kooning, Philip Guston, Jackson Pollock and Franz Kline. Kline's gestural painting of the 1950s formed the basis for the Abstract Expressionist movement in America. New Media Gallery, Through Aug. 2 - "Prime Time: Third Annual New Media Juried Exhibition". Artists from across North Carolina. South Carolina, Tennessee and Georgia responded to a call to artists in December 2014 and submitted their work for Prime Time: Third Annual New Media Juried Exhibition. Fourteen finalists, at various stages in their careers, were chosen for inclusion by a jury. Played in a 53-minute loop, the works featured in "Prime Time" highlight a variety of approaches to single channel, screenbased new media, including stop action and hand-drawn animation, experimental narrative film, digital décollage and performance-based video. Ongoing - "Sol LeWitt: Creating Place, Wall Drawing #618." Sol LeWitt (1928-2007) was born in Hartford, Connecticut. As a pioneer of conceptual art, he has had a major influence on 20th century American art. Ongoing - "Community: Sharon Louden". The second work in

the Museum's Artworks Project Space, Sharon

Louden's innovative installation Community is a continued conversation based on a series of work that she started in 2013 that traces its path through installation, animation, painting and drawing. In each genre, her gestures create an implication of dance — movement and energy — transposed against the resistance of fixed squares and rectangles of color. Admission: Yes. Hours: Tue.-Sat., 10am-5pm; Fri. till 8pm & Sun., 1-5pm. Contact: 828/253-3227 or at (www.ashevilleart.org).

Asheville Gallery of Art, Ltd., 16 College Street, Asheville. June 1 - 30 - "Recent Works," featuring an exhibit of works by Al Junek. A reception will be held on June 5, from 5-8pm. The exhibit will feature Junek's focus on the atmospheric landscape of mist, fog, or colorful skies so typical of the weather systems found in our mountain area. Ongoing - Featuring original works of art by 28 local artists in oils, acrylics, watercolor, pastel, encaustic, and prints. Hours: Mon.-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. 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. Through July 30 - "Homage to Life," an exhibit of 24 multimedia paintings by Hendersonville-based artist Cecilia R. Frederic. Frederic's series was created in collaboration with the artist's 28-year-old daughter, Abigail, who was diagnosed with Trisome 18, a genetic condition that is rarely survivable beyond infancy. 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.

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.

Odyssey Co-Op Gallery, 238 Clingman Avenue, Asheville. Ongoing - A cooperative consisting of 24 professional ceramic artisits in the Heart of the River Arts District. Participating artists include: Scott Cameron Bell, Reiko Miyagi, Mary Jimenez, Adele Macy, Kat McIver, Blue Fire MacMahon, Mary Jane Findley, Chiwa Clark, Ginger Graziano, Margaret Kleiber, Joanna Carroll, Mark Harmon, Anne Jerman, Isis Dudek, and Elaine Lacy. Hours: Tue.-Sun., 11am-5pm. Contact: 828/285-9700 or at (https://www.facebook.com/odysseycoopgallery)

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 and Sun. noon-5pm. Contact: 828-277-6222 or at (www.craftguild.org).

The Folk Art Center of the Southern Highland Craft Guild, Blue Ridge Parkway Milepost 382, Asheville. Main Gallery, Through Aug. 23 - "Haywood Graduate Show". Graduates of Havwood's Professional Crafts Program will showcase their talents in wood, clay, fiber, metal and jewelry. This exhibition continues the historical relationship between the Folk Art Center and Haywood, an Educational Center Member of the Southern Highland Craft Guild. Haywood Community College is located in Clyde, North Carolina, just west of Asheville. The college's Professional Crafts Program began in recognition of the region's strong craft heritage. It was envisioned that students would learn the basics of craft media and how to transform that craft into a business. The clay studio was the first to open

fiber studios, a comprehensive curriculum was in place by 1977. 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 Aug. 11 - "Warm Thoughts," featuring works by Joe Waldroup, Ron Howard, Beer Chunhaswasdikul, Pam Howard, Rhanna Nyman, and Lynn Froelich. Hours: daily from 9am-6pm. Contact: 828/298-7928 or at (www.southernhighlandguild.org).

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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

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 yearround, 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).

Black Mountain - Swannanoa

Black Mountain Center for the Arts, Old City Hall, 225 West State St., Black Mountain. Through June 20 - "Art in Bloom". This will be the ninth year the Center has organized this multi-day immersion in art and flowers, featuring works selected from regional galleries from Asheville to Old Fort and choosing artwork that they believe will spur the imaginations of the floral designers who will descend in June to create flower arrangements that are inspired by the artwork. Hours: Mon.-Wed., 10am-5pm; Thur. 11am-3pm; Fri., 10am-5pm. Contact: 828/669-0930 or at (www.blackmountainarts.org).

Blowing Rock

Blowing Rock Art and History Museum, corner of Chestnut and Main streets, downtown Blowing Rock. Through July 26 - "Floating Sculpture: Bruce Barclay Cameron Duck Decoy Collection". A reception will be held on May 9, from 5:30-7pm. The exhibit features the prestigious collection of wooden duck decoys on loan from the Cameron Art Museum in Wilmington, NC. Artisans included are A. Elmer Crowell from Cape Cod, MA; Joseph Lincoln from Accord, MA; Hucks Caines from Georgetown, SC; the Ward Brothers, Lemuel and Stephen from Crisfield, MD; Mitchell Fulcher of Stacy, NC; and Ned Burgess of Duck, NC. Also on view will be Spirit of the Bird, a film directed by James Spione. Through July 26 -"Millhands/Handmade," which takes a look at the South's vast textile history, from the growth of industrial mills and their effect on southern families, to regional textile artists working today and keeping handmade techniques alive. "Textiles are rooted deeply into the history of North Carolina," says Lee Carol Giduz, Executive Director. "They are part of our story. In the exhibit Millhands/ Handmade, visitors will glimpse the history of textiles from our industrial mill past to contemporary art forms being crafted in our mountains and our state today." 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-5pm; Thur., 10am-7pm; and Sun., 1-5pm. Contact: 828/295-9099 or at (www.blowingrockmuseum.org). continued on Page 39