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## Charleston Artist Guild

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Charleston, Danette draws from a lifetime of observing and interpreting the world through art. Her latest series invites viewers to explore the captivating world of fly-fishing through her unique perspective.

The Charleston Artist Guild Gallery

is located on East Bay Street in historic downtown Charleston.

For further information check our SC Institutional Gallery listing or call the gallery at 843/722-2425.

## Charleston Crafts Gallery in Charleston, SC, Welcomes New Artists To The Gallery

Charleston Crafts Gallery in Charleston, SC, will present *New Times Three: New Artists, New Work, and a New Year*, on view from Jan. 2 through 31, 2025. An Open House will be offered on Jan. 3, from 5-8pm, in conjunction with the Charleston Gallery Association's Art Walk evening celebrations.

January marks the new year; in the New Year, comes the opportunity for new beginnings. This month, Charleston Crafts Gallery features the works of our newest members, some who joined us in the fall, and others who just joined this month!

Work by six of our newest artist members featuring Polymer clay artscapes, ceramics, jewelry, Mosaics, paper cutting art, and woodworking.

Jennifer York, was named Lowcountry artist of the year in 2024, was a new member of the Cooperative Gallery, beginning in fall of 2024. This month, the gallery will be featuring her paper cutting artworks, which feature unique architectural details, as well as her original drawings on paper cuttings, embedded in installation pieces.

Ruth Ballou is a ceramicist who creates unique sculptural constructions out of ceramics with stunning subtle glazes that delight the eye. She learned this process while studying in France, and now brings



Work by Aimee Fitzgerald

this process to the Lowcountry.

Jenn Brower is a jeweler who makes stunning pieces of art fashioned completely from tiny rings of silver or gold. Modeled upon chain maille, an ancient form of hand crafted armor, her work has elevated the craft into art jewelry in the form of unique earrings, necklaces and bracelets.

Thia Beniash creates unique images in polymer clay, which are framed and ready for display in the home. She draws on her love of the Lowcountry for her inspiration in her images.

Randy Aschenbrenner creates fine

examples of the woodworker's craft in his work. He is new to the Gallery, joining less than one month ago. Come see his work and say hello!

Aimee Fitzgerald is a Mosaic artist. She creates stunning images from tiny pieces of hand painted, broken tiles, refashioned into art. Her images are evocative of the ocean, sea birds and Lowcountry life.

While these members are in the spotlight, the work of all the Gallery's members are also on display and available for purchase, including jewelry, wood puzzles, encaustic paintings, mixed media collages, fiber art, apparel and accessories, as well as functional and decorative objects in wood, ceramic and glass.

Charleston's destination for fine craft since 1989, the gallery is located on East Bay Street, in the heart of the French Quarter, on "Gallery Row". The gallery is staffed by its friendly and knowledgeable member-artisans. Charleston Crafts Cooperative Gallery is a dynamic commu-



Work by Jenn Brower

nity of more than two dozen jury-selected artisans, all from South Carolina, making this the city's only exclusively local craft gallery.

For further information check our SC Commercial Gallery listings, call the gallery at 843/501-7522 or visit ([www.charlestoncraftsgallery.com](http://www.charlestoncraftsgallery.com)).

## Art League of Hilton Head on Hilton Head Island, SC, Features Annual Exhibition Celebrating the Best of 2024

Art League of Hilton Head on Hilton Head Island, SC, will present *Anything Goes!*, an exhibit of member art at Art League Gallery which celebrates the astounding array of artwork created by Art League exhibiting members, on view from Jan. 7-31, 2025. All attendees at the artist's reception on Jan. 15, 5-7pm, are invited to vote for their favorite art pieces, with awards going to 1st, 2nd and 3rd place. The announcement of the People's Choice awards and door prizes winners will take place at 6pm.

Truly anything goes at this exhibit: any media, size, shape, form or subject. From 2D art in painting, pencils, and photography to jewelry, glass, wood and other 3D forms, exhibiting artists challenge themselves to bring together their best for



Work by Donna Varner

the new year.

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