# SC Institutional Galleries

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of 2022. This new center is home to African American culture, art, and expression. It is also a long-awaited gathering place for community conversations. The new center is in the historic Robert Mills district and just across from the historic Waverly Community, and a stone's throw from the one-hundred-year-old railroad tracks that have long defined small-town southern life in America. The focus of this Cultural Arts Center is on the making of art, the keeping of community, living Black history, and the ongoing generational celebration of music, visual art, poetry, dance, theatre, the culinary arts, and other community building and life sustaining activities. Hours: Mon.-Sat., 9am-4pm & Sun., noon-4pm. Contact: e-mail at (finneyjrcac@gmail,com) or visit (finneyjrcac.com).



Work by Toni M. Elkins

Koger Center For The Arts, 1051 Green Street, Columbia. Koger Center Upstairs Gallery, Through Mar. 9 - "Gerard Erley's Sights Unseen" a solo exhibition of Luminous Landscapes. The Nook, 2nd Floor Rotating Gallery, Month of **February -** Featuring works by Toni Elkins. A reception will be held on Feb. 20, from 5:30-7pm. Elkins offered the following statement, "It is only through memories that our past can remain alive. We must remember only the good so that our lives are continually enriched by the images we float in our thoughts and dreams. This are exhibit required two years and continous hours to recreate. It is my desire and hope that my memories will create happy throughs in your minds. Thus, through these art works, the sadness and finality of death might take on a deeper meaning. The works have surely become therapy for me". Ongoing - These exhibits are part of the Jasper Project. Hours: Call for hours. Contact: 803/777-7500 or at

(kogercenterforthearts.com/event.php?id=1022)

McKissick Museum, University of South Carolina, USC Horseshoe, Columbia. Ongoing - "Highlights from the Permanent Collections of McKissick Museum". Permanent - "Baruch Silver Collection," a collection of the Baruch family silver. And, "Natural Curiosity: USC and the Evolution of Scientific Inquiry into the Natural World". Hours: Mon.-Fri., 8:30am-5pm & Sat., 11am-3pm. Contact: 803/777-7251 or at (http://artsandsciences.sc.edu/mcks/).

McMaster Gallery, room 119, basement level, McMaster Building, 1615 Senate Street, Columbia. Through Feb. 7 - "Intersections I: Teachers and Students in Art and Design". Kick off our centennial celebration with "Intersections I", the first of this year's exhibitions featuring a selection of works by School of Visual Art and Design alumni and former faculty. The exhibition celebrates enduring connections between teachers and students and the legacy of our artistic community. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 9am-4:30pm. Contact: Olga Dickey, Gallery Director, at 803/422-4289 or e-mail to (yukhno@mailbox.sc.edu).

Mill District Public Art Trail (MDPAT), throughout the Whaley, Olympia and Granby neighborhoods, known as Columbia, SC's Mill District, Columbia. Ongoing - The MDPAT was conceived as a project in 2017 by 701 Center for Contemporary Art board and staff to connect the three neighborhoods through a creative endeavor. The inaugural works on the trail were created by 11 South Carolina artists - collaborators David Cianni (Aiken) and Anna Redwine (Columbia), Diana Farfán (Greenville), Flavia Lovatelli (Columbia), Susan Lenz (Columbia), Robert Lyon (Columbia), Doug McAbee (Greenwood), Philip Moody (Rock Hill), Carey Morton (Charleston), Jordan Sheridan (Columbia), Brittany Watkins (Columbia), and Fletcher Williams III (Charleston). The works on the Mill District Public Art Trail invite us to explore

the art and highlight the unique character of the distinctive neighborhoods within the Mill District. Part of this journey is discovering art in unexpected and surprising spaces. It is also an indication of the ongoing transformation taking place in this historically important community. Hours: normal daylight hours. For further information call 803/238-2351 or visit (https://www.701cca.org/mill-distict-public-art-trail-rfq-questions-answers).

Richland County Public Library, 1431 Assembly St., Columbia. Ongoing - Featuring 20 pieces of public art on permanent display. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 9am-9pm; Sat, 9am-6pm; Sun, 2-6pm. Contact: 803/988-0886 or at (www.richlandlibrary.com)

701 Center for Contemporary Art, 701 Whaley St., Columbia. Main Gallery, Feb. 20 - Mar. 23 - "A Sorcery of Sustenance," featuring works by Masud Olufani. A reception will be held on Feb. 27, from 6-8pm. Masud Olufani's exhibition, "A Sorcery of Sustenance" was curated by Floyd Hall and previously exhibited at Atlanta Contemporary. During the Opening Reception, Olufani will give a special performance. "A Sorcery of Sustenance" is a collection of recently completed sculptures that trace the cultural retentions of the African Diaspora through food. Inspired in part by the popular Netflix series "High on the Hog", this diverse gathering of mixed media works examines food production within the Black community as an alchemy that satiates the body as well as the spirit. Hours: Thur..-Sun., 1-5pm. Contact: call Caitlin Bright at 803/238-2351 or at (www.701cca.org).

SC State Museum, 301 Gervais St., Columbia. Ongoing - The South Carolina State Museum, the state's largest and most comprehensive museum, is located along the banks of the beautiful Congaree River in downtown Columbia, South Carolina. Founded in 1988, the State Museum is the primary storyteller of the history of South Carolina. Through rich and diverse collections displayed through interactive and engaging exhibitions, the State Museum strives to honor the groundbreaking nature of its setting, providing both residents and visitors an in-depth picture of the state's past, present and future. There is much to see and do every day at the State Museum through a variety of exhibitions and educational programs both offered at the museum and through distance learning programs, as well as through entertaining community events of all kind. The Crescent Café, second floor mezzanine of the Museum. The house menu offers a variety of baked goods, juices, coffee, hot chocolate and tea. Lunchtime offerings include deli sandwiches and alternating daily soups, as well as grilled chicken salads and sandwiches. And let's not forget the house specialty: spectacular fudge, handmade on-site. Admission: Yes. The South Carolina State Museum is proud to be part of the Blue Star Museums initiative, a national appreciation program to thank our military families for their service and share with them America's cultural treasures. As a part of Blue Star Museums, active military and their families are invited to enjoy free general admission to the South Carolina State Museum from Armed Forces Day, through Labor Day, Sept. 2, 2024. For a list of participating museums, visit (arts. gov/bluestarmuseums). Hours: Mon.-Sat., from 10am-5pm and Sun., from noon-5pm. Admission: Yes. Contact: call 803/898-4921 or at (http:// scmuseum.org/).

Spears Music/Art Center, Columbia College, 1301 Columbia College Drive, Columbia. **Goodall Gallery, Through Feb. 27 -** "PULSE, Reaction," featuring works by Michael Webster. Webster says, "Through projects that span sculpture, installation, and lens-based media, I respond to the becomings and undoings of space. My work begins with a social conception of space, where shifting territorial boundaries form strata between people. I seek moments where boundaries become permeable – a place where architecture dissolves into raw matter or the surveyor's tools encode a digital artifact." Loft Gallery, Through Feb. 27 - "you told me once but i forgot," featuring works by Grey Eckert. Nellie Grey Eckert (she/ her) was born in Durham, NC, where she spent her childhood convincing others to call her by her middle name. After graduating from Coastal Carolina University with dual-BAs and academic minors in studio art, graphic design, art history, and photography, Grey attended the University of South Carolina, where she earned an MFA in studio art. She currently teaches at Coastal Carolina University. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 10am-5pm. Contact: contact Brittany M. Watkins, Director of Goodall Gallery by calling 803/786-3718 or e-mail to (bwatkins@columbiasc.edu).

ALTERNATE ART SPACES - Columbia area Columbia Metropolitan Convention Center, 1101 Lincoln St., Columbia. Ongoing - Featuring works by local artists throughout the convention center, including works by Mike Williams, Liisa Salosaari Jasinski, Tyrone Geter, Peter Lenzo, Jamie Davis, Tom Lockart & Mark Woodham, Angela Bradburn, Virginia Scotchie, Denise Dent, Sue Grier, Brian Rego, Heather LaHaise, Howard Hunt, Robert Campbell. Ernest Lee, David J.P. Hooker, Ralph Waldrop, Elena Madden, Debbie Martin, Blue Sky, Laura Spong, Jean McWhorter, Claire Farrell, Justin Guy, and Jonathan Green. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 9am-5pm; Sat., 10am-4pm & Sun., 1-5pm. Contact: 803/545-01181.

Harbison Theatre at Midlands Technical College, 7300 College Street, Irmo. Through May 31 - Featuring works by Jeffrey Miller. Ongoing - These exhibits are part of the Jasper Project. Hours: during performances at the theatre. Contact: 803/407-5011.

Land Bank Lofts Gallery, Federal Land Bank Building, 1401 Hampton Street, Columbia.

Ongoing - Land Bank Lofts Gallery is growing as a large-scale center for exhibiting homegrown original art. In 2016, the South Carolina Artists group set out to create a gallery in the historic building constructed in 1924. Home to the famous "Tunnel Vision" & "Haystacks" murals, the as it was originally known has been completely transformed into a modern masterpiece for today's lifestyle. Hours: call for hours. Contact: call 803/828-7790 or South Carolina Artists by calling 803/602-4814 or at (http://www.southcarolinaartists.com).

Sidewalk Gallery at The Meridan Building, 1320 Street, Columbia. Through Mar. - Featuring works by Emily Wright, Chris Lane and Marion Mason. Ongoing - The gallery at the Meridian Building displays art within the lobby and features art in block-length window displays so patrons can peruse local art while walking downtown. These exhibits are part of the Jasper Project. Art of any medium is permitted, and most artists show 3-5 pieces, though more is allowed, with up to 22 being previously included; art cannot exceed \$2,500. Several individual artists are featured simultaneously in this space with three months being the average display period for each. Art within the building can be accessed during office hours, and pieces in the window can be viewed 24/7. Hours: The windows are open 24/7 with lighting in the evenings, the Main Street lobby is open 8am-6pm Mon.-Fri., closed to the public on weekends but can be accessed by appt. Contact: e-mail to (jaspergalleries@gmail. com).

## Conway

Horry County Museum, 805 Main St, Conway. Ongoing - To collect and preserve material related to the prehistory, natural history, history and culture of Horry County; to interpret and to create exhibits of such materials and to prepare educational programs related to them for presentation to the public, particularly the citizens of Horry County, South Carolina, and to operate a facility for this purpose. Hours: Tue.-Sat., 9am-5pm. Contact: 843/915-5320 or at (www.horrycountymuseum.org).

## **Due West**

Bowie Arts Center, Bonner St., Erskine College, Due West. Ongoing - "Redemption Exhibit", "Woman: Image Bearer" and "Edgefield Pottery Exhibit". Summer Hours: by appt. only. Contact: 864/379-8867.

## Elloree

Elloree Heritage Museum and Cultural Museum, 2714 Cleveland Street, Elloree. Ongoing - Stroll Cleveland Street as it appeared in 1900 and delight in the recreated stores, bank and hotel: Explore the train station, logging and butchering areas; Visit Snider Cabin, birthplace of William J. Snider, founder of Elloree; Learn about tenant farming and meet midwife Mary Ella Jones who was responsible for delivering many Elloree babies; Take a rest in the two-seater outhouse; Explore a plantation gin house with its original gin, cotton press, and mechanicals; Learn how cotton is grown, picked and ginned today; See the variety of horse-drawn plows, planters and cultivators that farmers used to work their land; Meet Ruby Doo and learn about the history of mules and the vital role they played in southern agriculture; and Visit the upstairs gallery for the latest show featuring work by local and regional South Carolina artists, a baseball exhibit, a postcard exhibit or any of a variety of changing exhibits. Admission: Yes. Hours: Wed.-Sat., 10am-5pm. Contact: 803-897-2225 or at (http:// www.elloreemuseum.org).

## Florence

**Florence County Museum**, 111 West Cheves Street, across the street from the Francis Marion



"Harriet Tubman" ca. 1945, oil on paperboard by William H. Johnson, born Florence, SC 1901-died Central Islip, NY 1970. Smithsonian American Art Museum, Gift of the Harmon Foundation, 1967.59.1146

University Performing Arts Center, Florence. Feb. 4 - Aug. 19 - "Fighters for Freedom: William. H. Johnson Picturing Justice". The Florence County Museum has partnered with the Smithsonian American Art Museum to bring "Fighters for Freedom: William H. Johnson Picturing Justice". This exhibition marks the first national tour of the magnum opus by William Henry Johnson (Florence, South Carolina). Johnson painted the series in the mid-1940s, creating a pantheon of historic and contemporary leaders who fought for the freedom of individuals worldwide. The exhibition of 25 works showcasing Johnson's later iconographic style is on loan from the Smithsonian American Art Museum and features works rarely exhibited outside our nation's capital. Special Exhibit Gallery, Through Feb. 23 -"Edward Gay: An American Landscape Painter". New York based artist Edward Gay (1837 - 1928) began visiting and painting in South Carolina after his daughter Vivien, an architecture student at Cornell University, was married to James Lide Coker, Jr., of Hartsville. Years later, the artist's son Duncan married James Coker's sister, Jennie. Because of these intermarriages, many of Gay's paintings entered Southern collections. "There's a story to be told here," said museum curator Stephen W. Motte, "This is an exhibition we have been looking forward to for a long time." The museum worked with descendants of the Gay family, as well as several art institutions and representatives from Coker University in order to bring the artworks together. Community Gallery, Ongoing - This exhibit introduces visitors to the history of the museum and its formative collections. This gallery also exhibits the histories and diversity of the City of Florence, and the incorporated municipalities of Florence County. Additionally, the Community Gallery communicates the lives, stories and accomplishments of significant past and present citizens of Florence County and members of it's communities. This gallery is one of two permanent exhibit spaces designed by award winning exhibit design firm, HaleySharpe Design. Pee Dee History Gallery, Ongoing - This is the largest gallery space in the facility, comprising 3,300 sq. ft. of exhibit space. This permanent collections gallery occupies the entire second floor, east wing of the building. Artifacts are supported by historical images and narrative interpretation, giving a comprehensive introduction to the Pee Dee region from prehistory to the present. This gallery is one of two permanent exhibit spaces designed by award winning exhibit design firm. HalevSharpe Design. Admission: Free. Hours: Tue.-Sat., 10am-5pm & Sun. 2-5pm. Contact: 843/676-1200 or visit (www.flocomuseum.org).

Hyman Fine Arts Center, Francis Marion University, Florence. Adele Kassab Main Gallery, Through Feb. 20 - "Common Ground," featuring works by Katherine Rumminger. Rumminger grew up in Piedmont, SC, and attended Wren High School. Her passion for art and creating grew throughout her primary and secondary school years. She earned her Bachelor of Fine Art degree in May 2021 and her Master of Fine Art degree in May 2024, both from Lander University. She specializes in sculpture and continues to create artwork that involves commonplace, representational forms constructed out of steel. Through Feb. 20 - "Dueling Identities: An Exploration Within and Beyond Twinship," featuring works by Haleigh Lennox Brewer. Brewer is a North Carolina based photographer who uses her medium to explore narratives through visual stories. Her work delves into the intersections of personal and collective experiences, capturing the nuances of human emotion, interactions, and relationships through her lens. Her most recent work, "Dueling Identities: An Exploration Within and Beyond Twinship", explores the relationship with her identical twin sister. Haleigh graduated from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in 2020 with a BFA in Studio Art and a minor in Global Cinema. Haleigh received her MFA in Studio Art with an emphasis in Photography from continued on Page 34