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continued from Page 47 port and impactful initiatives to The Mint Museum, helping to fund the acquisition of more than 200 works of art in the Mint's collection. The exhibition celebrates the Delhom Service League's enthusiastic support for the Mint by proudly displaying significant works funded or gifted by the affiliate group, plus selected publications, photographs and other memorabilia. In 2022, the Delhom Service League made the difficult decision to dissolve as a Mint affiliate. The league nevertheless remains an indelible part of the Mint's history, and its many contributions rightly deserve the museum's never-ending recognition and gratitude. Ongoing - "The Cole Family: A Dynasty of North Carolina Potters". From crocks, jars, and jugs to pitchers, candleholders, and vases, "turning pots" is one of the oldest and richest craft traditions in North Carolina. For more than 200 years, members of the Cole family have been potting in central North Carolina — Randolph, Moore, Lee, and Montgomery counties. Six generations of Coles, and no fewer than 18 individuals, are represented in The Mint Museum's permanent collection. More than 60 highlights of their wares are included in the installation "The Cole Family: A Dynasty of North Carolina Potters". One reason for its long-term success is that making pottery has so often been a family tradition in the state. Fathers taught the art of forming, glazing, and firing clay objects to their sons, and in later generations also to daughters, who in turn taught their children, and so on through the decades. These family dynasties not only helped to keep the potting craft alive, but ensured continuity in techniques and craftsmanship, as well as introduced artistic innovations in succeeding generations. "The Cole Family: A Dynasty of North Carolina Potters" presents a visual history of "turned pots" and the family that helped turn North Carolina into one of America's centers for handmade, traditional pottery. Bridges and Levine Galleries, Ongoing - "Contemporary British Studio Ceramics: The Grainer Collection". Focused on the collection of Diane and Marc Grainer, this installation is a survey of contemporary British studio ceramics. Comprising functional and sculptural objects made between the 1980s and today, the show features work by artists either born or residing in Great Britain, including established "contemporary classics" like Gordon Baldwin and Rupert Spira, and cuttingedge ceramicists such as Julian Stair and Kate Malone. Several recently-gifted works from the Grainers are included. Alexander, Spangler, and Harris Galleries, Ongoing - "Portals to the Past: British Ceramics 1675 - 1825". The Mint Museum's collection of eighteenth-century British pottery and porcelain is widely respected for its scope and quality. The collection numbers over 2,000 objects and includes important examples of both salt-glazed and dry-bodied stoneware from Staffordshire; tin-glazed earthenware from Bristol, Liverpool, and London; and creamcolored earthenware from Derbyshire, Staffordshire, and Yorkshire. Notable eighteenth-century porcelain factories represented include Chelsea, Bow, and Vauxhall in London, Longton Hall in Staffordshire, Worcester, Bristol, and others. Individual works in the collection are exceptional because of their rarity, craftsmanship, provenance, or as representative examples of particular types or methods of production or decoration. 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 tashionable 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. 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).



Dusti Bobgé (1903-93). "Where the Shrimp Pickers Live", 1940, oil on canvas. Mississippi Museum of Art, Jackson, MS. Gift of Dusti Bongé Art Foundation, Inc. 1999.012 © Dusti Bongé Art

Mint Museum Uptown, Levine Center for the Arts, 500 South Tryon St., Charlotte. Through Apr. 27 - "Coined in the South: 2024". The exhibition aims to bridge the gap between museums, galleries, and studios by showcasing thoughtprovoking works by the emerging artists living or working in the Southern United States. The name "Coined in the South" refers to both The Mint Museum's origins as the first branch of the U.S. Mint, as well as the act of inventing. Many of the works selected for the "2024 Coined in the South" exhibition reflect on personal narratives and cultural histories. The exhibition transcends any singular aesthetic, theme, or medium, striving to mirror the rich diversity and creative spirit of the Southern arts community. Jurors who helped select works for this exhibition include: Marshall N. Price, PHD, Chief Curator and Nancy A. Nasher and David J. Haemisegger Curator of Modern and Contemporary Art, Duke University; Victoria Ramirez, PHD, Executive Director, Arkansas Museum of Fine Arts; and Stephanie J. Woods, Assistant Professor, Interdisciplinary Art, University of New Mexico. Through Mar. 2 - "Kenny Nguyen: Adaptations". Adaptation is defined as "the process in which a living thing changes slightly over time to be able to continue to exist in a particular environment." Kenny Nguyen feels this process materialized within himself, his lineage, and his methodology of making. Born and raised on a coconut grove in the Ben Tre province of Vietnam, the artist lived a quiet rural life and later moved to the States at the age of 19. This dispersion from his homeland mapped a new internal geography-a subtle double-consciousness that the artist works with- traversing the spiritual and physical, the contemporary and historical. Through Feb. 2 - "Southern/Modern: Rediscovering Southern Art From the First Half of the Twentieth Century." The first exhibition to present a comprehensive survey of works by artists working in the American South in the first half of the 20th century. Created in collaboration with Georgia Museum of Art, the exhibition includes more than 100 paintings and works on paper by artists working in states below the Mason-Dixon line and as far west as those bordering the Mississippi River, as well as some artists living outside of the region who made significant bodies of work during visits. Curated by the Mint's Senior Curator of American Art Jonathan Stuhlman, PhD, and independent scholar Martha Severens, Southern/Modern: Rediscovering Southern Art From the First Half of the Twentieth Century takes a broad view of the South and is structured around key themes that traverse geographic regions, including time and place, race, family ties, and social struggles. It also takes a broad, inclusive view of the art of the region, incorporating the creativity and talent of women artists and artists of color across its various thematic sections to provide a fuller, richer, and more accurate overview of the artistic activity in the American South at the time. Through Aug. 10 - "Women of Land and Smoke: Photographs by Graciela Iturbide and Maya Goded". The exhibition includes over 50 photographs that present an overview

of Iturbide and Goded's careers that span the

Americas. For the past three years, the Mint has been building a significant portfolio of works by Mexico City-based photographers Graciela Iturbide and Maya Goded. Over the decades, the two photographers have created revealing, poignant, and powerful images that examine the intersection of contemporary life and centurieslong practices throughout North and South America. Craft + Design Galleries, Ongoing - "Craft in the Laboratory: The Science of Making Things," is the first installation in the Southeast to explore how craft artists and designers use science and math concepts when creating works of art. Presented by Müller Corporation, Craft in the Laboratory also celebrates a reinstallation of the Mint's Craft + Design Galleries—the first since 2010. Co-curated by the Mint's Senior Curator of Craft, Design, and Fashion Annie Carlano and Assistant Curator for Craft, Design, and Fashion Rebecca Elliot, "Craft in the Laboratory" includes 100 works from the Mint's collection that are made from precious metals, wood, steel, polymers, and even agricultural waste, that emphasize the preciseness of science used to craft works of art. Made by nationally and internationally renowned artists, the objects are organized by material and subject throughout the galleries. Now - The Mint Museum's new four-story installation "Foragers" offers a transcendent experience while celebrating the tradition of women as makers and providers. Unlike anything ever seen at The Mint Museum before, Brooklyn-based artist Summer Wheat's "Foragers" is a monumental piece of public work of art spanning 96 windows, four stories, and 3,720 square feet at Mint Museum Uptown's Robert Haywood Morrison Atrium. The myriad of vibrant panels that give the illusion of stained glass and celebrates the tradition of women as makers and providers. "Foragers" is part of a larger exhibition "In Vivid Color," which brings together four innovative contemporary artists - Wheat, Gisela Colon, Spencer Finch, and Jennifer Steinkamp—who create works celebrating the power of color and its ability to permeate the space around us. Their work is juxtaposed with a selection of paintings and works on paper, drawn primarily from The Mint Museum's permanent collection, which showcase artists' more traditional exploration of color. Ongoing - The Mint Museum Uptown houses the world renowned collections of the Mint Museum of Craft + Design, as well as the American Art and Contemporary Art collections and selected works from the European Art collection. The building also includes a café, a Family Gallery, painting and ceramics studios, classrooms, a 240-seat auditorium, a Special Events Pavilion with outdoor terrace, and an expanded Museum Shop specializing in crafts of the Carolinas. Admission: Yes. Hours: Wed., 11am-9pm (free admission 5-9pm); Thur.-Sat., 11am-6pm; & Sun., 1-5pm. Now Fri. till 9pm. Contact: 704/337-2000 or at

Pauline Dove Art Gallery, Central Piedmont Community College, located inside the college's new Parr Center, Charlotte. Through Mar. 14 - "Liliya Zalevskaya: Shadow Landscapes". Hours: Mon.-Thur., 10am-4pm or by appt. Contact: Follow us on Instagram and Facebook at Central Piedmont Arts or call Amelia Zytka, Senior Art Gallery Coordinator at 704/330-6847 or visit (http://blogs.cpcc.edu/ cpccartgalleries/).

(www.mintmuseum.org).

Projective Eye Gallery, UNC-Charlotte Center City Building, 320 E. 9th Street, Uptown Charlotte. Through Feb. 7 - "Generations," an exhibition of exemplary work by departmental alumni and legacy faculty in celebration of the 60th anniversary of the Department of Art & Art History. In 1964, the acclaimed North Carolina painter Maud Gatewood was hired by Bonnie Cone to begin arts programming at the new Charlotte College campus. The following year, Charlotte College was added to the UNC System and became UNC Charlotte. Over the next decade, Gatewood developed courses and hired colleagues, spearheaded the design of an arts building and its facilities, and sustained dialogue with institutions such as the Mint Museum and Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools. Both the department and the university have grown dramatically in the intervening years, as more than 3,000 alumni have graduated from the visionary program Gatewood founded. Highlighting the program's decades of accomplishments, Generations features work by Eric Anderson, Susan Brenner, Edwina Bringle, Keith Bryant, Sara Catapano, Ann Carter, Jen Clay, Lili Corbus, Alexandra Giannell, John Hairston, Adé Hogue, Heather Hoover, Eldred Hudson, Susan Jedzrejewski, Jason Losko, Nadia Meadows, Carmen Neely, Martha Strawn, and Winston Tite. Hours: Mon.-Sun., 9am-9pm. Contact: Crista Cammaroto. Director of Galleries at 704/687-0833, 704/687-2397 or at (https://coaa.uncc.edu/).

Rowe Arts Galleries, Rowe Arts Building, UNC-Charlotte, Charlotte. Upper & Lower Galleries, Feb. 3 - Mar. 31 - "57th annual Juried Student Exhibition," presented by the UNC-Charlotte Department of Art & Art History. A reception will be held on Mar. 14. This year's juror is Woon Kee

Yong, motion media design professor at Savannah College of Art and Design (SCAD). Hours: Mon.-Fri., 10am-4pm. Contact: 704/547-3315.

The Civic & Cultural Arts Center of Pineville, 316 Main Street, right next door to "old" Pineville Police Station, Pineville. Ongoing - The CCAC is a 501(C)(3) non-profit organization offering a place where artist of every discipline have an opportunity to network and enhance their gifts. The CCAC is a gathering place for emerging and established artists of all ages to present, create and collaborate in giving life to their art, with a goal of embracing and promoting the artistic, creative and entrepreneurial possibilities available in our community through classes, workshops and on-going events and programs. Hours: Sat. 9am-1pm and most week nights from 6:30-9pm. Contact: call Lee Baumgarten at 704/889-2434. or visit (www.ccacpineville.org).

The Light Factory Photo Arts Center, inside the Visual and Performing Arts Center, 700 N. Tryon Street, Charlotte. Ongoing - The Light Factory Photo Arts Center is a vibrant, inclusive photographic center serving the Charlotte area by enriching our community through the creation, exploration, and sharing of photography. We engage with the community through the creation, exploration, and sharing of photography. Hours: Wed.-Sat., noon-4pm. Contact: 704/333-9755 or at (www.lightfactory.org).

The Sonia and Isaac Luski Gallery, at the Foundation for the Carolinas building, 220 N. Tryon Street, (old Montaldo's/Mint Museum of Craft + Design site), Charlotte. Ongoing -Featuring work on loan from Sonia and Isaac Luski including works by: Chuck Close, Lewis Jones, Herb Jackson, Mark Peiser, Richard Ritter, Richard Jolley, Harvey Littleton, Lino Tagliapietra and many more. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 10am-5:30pm. Contact: 704/973-4500 or at (www.fftc.org).

Cherokee

Qualla Arts and Crafts Mutual, 645 Tsali Blvd., across from the Museum of the Cherokee Indian, Cherokee. Ongoing - Featuring basket weaving, pottery, wood carving, finger weaving, beadwork, stone carving and fine painting by members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. Artisans must go through a juried process to become affiliated with the organization and current membership stands at about 300. Hours: open daily, year round, with seasonal hours. Contact: 828/497-3103 or at (www.cherokee-nc.com).

The Museum of the Cherokee People, 589 Tsali Boulevard, Cherokee. Through Feb. 28 -"sov-er-eign-ty: Expressions in Sovereignty of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians". This exhibition illuminates the complexities of tribal sovereignty and the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians' continuing legacy of resilience. In this exhibition, visitors will learn how, through adaptability and innovation, the EBCI has combated attempts to eradicate, remove, and assimilate its people and remained on the Qualla Boundary - 57,000 acres (0.00067661% of the original Cherokee territory) which is owned by the EBCI and held in trust by the federal government. Ongoing - Welcome to a sweeping history of the Cherokee Nation, engaging and oftimes heart-rending, from ice age beginnings to present-day life and culture. In the brushstrokes of this fascinating heritage, you'll discover the warp and weft of treaties, the roots of a naturalistic language, artifacts of particular periods, great figures and heroes and entrancing stories of a civilization along with the Cherokee's distinctive values and ways of being in the world before and after "the Trail of Tears." The museum offers courses and workshops that combine scholarly content with voices of Cherokee people and experiences on the Qualla Boundary. A perfect place to begin exploration of Cherokee heritage and traditions is the Museum of the Cherokee Indian in Cherokee, North Carolina. Visitors are greeted at the entrance by a 20-foot hand-carved statue of Sequoyah, the inventor of the Cherokee alphabet. An interpretive site for the Trail of Tears National Historic Trail, this state-of-the-art facility traces the story of the Cherokee from the earliest inhabitants of the area 11,000 years ago to the present. An extensive exhibit of artifacts and photos is enhanced with computer-generated holograms and other imagery, sound, and special effects that leave a lasting and haunting impression on the visitor. The museum gift shop is rich in Cherokee tradition. Locally created baskets, pottery, wood carvings, decorated gourds and beadwork are among the art available for sale. Books on Cherokee history, culture, language, and genealogy line the shelves, along with audio CDs and tapes by local musicians and storytellers. Admission: Yes. Hours: Daily, 9am-5pm; closed New Years Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day. Contact: 828-497-3481 or at (https://mci.org/).