

NC Institutional Galleries

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Sanford

Brick City Gallery, in the historic Mann Center, Suite 211, 507 N. Steele Street, Sanford. **Ongoing** - Featuring over 200 works of art by 21 Sanford Brush & Palette Club members, including paintings, pottery, notecards, journals, and novelty items. The Sanford Brush & Palette Club was founded in 1964 with seven members. We've grown into a membership of more than one hundred diverse, talented artists. The values of the founding members – who believed that fellowship and education were vital to artistic growth – continue to be our main objective. Hours: Tue.-Sat., 11am-4pm. Contact: 919/364-0588 or at (sanfordarts.org).

Oxide Gallery of Fine Art, 148 S. Moore Street. Historic Downtown Sanford. **Ongoing** - Presented by Lee County Fine Arts. Our gallery will present regular monthly exhibitions, fine art gifts, art competition shows, and access to working artists in Central North Carolina. The Gallery's NC Gift Shop features work by over a dozen local and regional artists. Guests can enjoy fabrics, mosaic, glass art, stoneware clay sculpture, decorative functional and food safe pottery, note cards and journals, and the famous Art-o-mat. Hours: Tue.-Sat., 11am-5pm. Contact: 919/278-7270 or at (oxideart.com).

Seagrove Area

Carolina Bronze Sculpture Garden, Carolina Bronze, 6108 Maple Springs Road, Seagrove. **Ongoing** - The Carolina Bronze Sculpture Garden is a natural and landscaped area overlooking a beautiful 1.25 acre pond. A walking trail loops around the pond with benches and a picnic area along the trail. The Sculpture Garden collection consists of donated and loaned sculptures from emerging and established artists working in all 3D media suitable for the outdoors. There are currently 19 sculptures installed around the pond. The landscaped and natural areas have a focus on NC native plants and trees. As an extension of this park, a sculpture is installed in the downtown area of Seagrove. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 8:30am-4pm. Contact: 336/873-8291 or at (www.cbsculpturegarden.com).



View of the newly renovated exhibits at the NC Pottery Center in Seagrove

North Carolina Pottery Center, 233 East Avenue, Seagrove. **Ongoing** - Featuring permanent and changing exhibits on the history of North Carolina pottery, "The North Carolina Pottery Tradition" and "Seagrove Area Pottery". The Center also offers information on activities, maps and information about the potteries located in the Seagrove area and across the state. A display of representative works from more than 90 area potteries is also offered. Hours: Tue.-Sat., 10am-4pm. Contact 336/873-8430 or at (www.ncpotterycenter.org).

Seagrove Area Pottery Center (Not the NC Pottery Center), 122 E. Main St., Seagrove. **Ongoing** - The former museum organization was founded twenty-five years ago in Seagrove, and is dedicated to preserving and perpetuating the pottery tradition. We strive to impart to new generations the history of traditional pottery and an appreciation for its simple and elegant beauty. A display of area pottery is now offered in the old Seagrove grocery building. Hours: Mon.-Sat., 9:30am-3:30pm. Contact: 336/873-7887.

STARworks Center for Creative Enterprise, 100 Russell Drive, just seven miles south of Seagrove in Star. STARworks is a project of Central Park NC, a 501-(c)(3) not for profit organization based in rural central North Carolina. The mission of CPNC is to grow a new rural economy based on the sustainable use of the natural and cultural resources of the region. **STARworks Businesses: STARworks Glass** is a public access glass studio that offers rental space for glass artists, classes and workshops for the general public, a resident artist and internship program, and high school and college glass curriculum. In addition to fundraisers like our Pumpkin Patch and Holiday Ornament Sale, STARworks Glass also holds free demonstrations on the second Thursday of each



month at Hot Glass Cold Beer. **STARworks Ceramics** uses native NC wild clays to produce clay bodies that are manufactured with a filter press on site. We also sell pottery supplies and equipment. In addition to our STARworks clays, we offer both Highwater and Standard clays, and tools and equipment from Shimpco, Cone Art Kilns, Mudtools, AMACO, Kemper Tools and Orton. **STARworks Clay Studio** offers a residency program for ceramic artists. Our facilities allow for large workshop spaces placed side by side, supporting a collaborative and energetic educational environment. In addition to the residency program, STARworks Clay studio offers classes and workshops for adults. STARworks is also home to **Wet Dog Glass**, the most trusted and dependable equipment maker and consultant for glass artists and craftspeople worldwide. **School House Gallery, Through July 14** - "Sustain: Invitational Woodfire Exhibition". This show brings together a selection of contemporary North Carolina wood-fired ceramics alongside works from the guest presenters of Woodfire NC 2025, Starworks' International Woodfire Conference. **Ongoing** - Featuring works for sale by STARworks artists. **Ongoing** - The gallery is filled with a selection of works from artists and artisans alike, bringing hand crafted wares into a new light. From one of a kind tableware crafted from locally mined clay paired with handwoven placemats, to simple yet elegant glass goods designed with our utilitarian ideals in mind, our functional collections are a must have for any home. Our gallery also features a selection of sculptures that gray the lines between want and need. Whether your desire is to capture an experience with one of our artists or our team, decorate your home with memories of your travels, or to treat yourself and others to a unique handmade gift, we have something for everyone to make your time here unforgettable. Gallery Hours: Mon.-Sat., 9am-5pm. **STARworks Café & Taproom** - Featuring Espresso, Iced & Frozen Coffee, Coffee, Tea, Cocoa, Smoothies, Beer & Wine, Soda, Bottled Water, Snapple, Snacks, and Pastries. And, live music some nights - visit (https://www.starworksn.org/cafe-taproom) for the schedule. Hours: Mon., 9am-3pm & Tue.-Sat., 9am-9pm. STARworks General Hours: Mon.-Sat., 9am-5pm. Contact: Claire Sellers, Starworks Communications Coordinator by e-mail at (claire@starworksn.org).

Siler City

North Carolina Arts Incubator Gallery, 223 N Chatham Ave., Siler City. **Ongoing** - Featuring the handcrafted work of over 30 Incubator and regional artists in a variety of mediums including painting, pottery, stained and fused glass, fabric art, cards, photography, wood, jewelry, metal, baskets and more. There is a broad range of items and prices. Hours: Mon.-Sat., 10am-5pm; & 3rd Fri., 10am-9pm. Contact: 919/663-2072 or at (www.ncartsincubator.org).

PAF Gallery, 223 N Chatham Ave., Siler City. **Ongoing** - A gallery featuring works by local and regional artists. Hours: 3rd Fri. 6-9pm. Contact: 919/663-2072 or at (www.ncartsincubator.org).

Southport

Franklin Square Gallery, 130 E. West St., Southport. **Through July 19** - "2025 Summer Regional Art Show". Lectures: July 9 - The Macchiaioli: Italian Impressionism Makes Its Mark; July 23 - Art in The Digital Age; Aug. 6 - Art as a Mirror: Manet's Bar at the Folies Bergère. All lectures are 3-5pm. For Tickets, Please Visit the Gallery or Purchase Online at (www.franklinsquaregallery.com). **Ongoing** - Works by members of the Associated Artists of Southport. Hours: Mon.-Sat., 10am-5pm. Contact: 910/457-5450 or at (www.franklinsquaregallery.com).

Spruce Pine

Spruce Pine Gallery, TRAC Arts Center, Toe River Arts Council, 269 Oak Avenue, Spruce Pine. **Kokol Gallery, Through July 19** - "Thrown Together: Established Makers in Clay". A recep-

tion will be held on July 19, from 5-7pm. Thrown Together Potters is a collaborative art group whose purpose is to provide creative and professional support for each of its members. Members include Jennifer Mecca, Michael Hamlin, Phil Haralam, Ron Philbeck, Amy Sanders, Charlie Tefft and Julie Wiggins. The seven members hold spring and fall sales events each year, cross-promote on our social media platforms, and collaborate on other projects. Each Thrown Together artist will present a series of work that represent their current studio practice. The exhibition will also be an opportunity for collaboration and exploration of new ideas. In addition to our typical work, we are proposing to create a series of collaborations specifically for this show. Successful art collaborations are challenging but rewarding endeavors. They require the participating parties to contribute their specific perspectives while staying receptive to their collaborator's input. When it works well, both artists can gain a new perspective on their work and sow seeds for future projects and ideas. With a variety of sizes and price points, we will show approximately 70 pieces to be displayed on pedestals and the wall. **Ongoing** - Toe River Arts will feature artist demonstrations and continue to sell artist's work in the gift shop. Hours: Tue.-Sat., 10:30am-5pm. Contact: 828/682-7215 or at (www.toeriverarts.org).

Statesville

Louise Gilbert Art Gallery, Mitchell Community College, 420 Walnut Street, Statesville. **Ongoing** - For more than 25 years, the Louise Gilbert Art Gallery, hosted and curated by Mitchell's Department of Art, has played a vital role in the visual arts in Iredell County. The Gilbert Gallery serves as a vibrant space for students and visitors to explore ideas, techniques, forms and mediums. Our exhibits and installations feature award-winning local, national and international artists whose work includes traditional, folk, outsider and experimental styles. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 8am-5pm. Contact: call 704/878-3271.

Sylva

Gallery One, Home of the Jackson County Visual Arts Association, 604 West Main Street, Sylva. **Ongoing** - The gallery is home to over 20 artists local to the area. Gallery 1 is a not for profit gallery operated as a club to provide a space for professional and emerging artists to share their artistic endeavors, display works sold to help support their vocation. Hours: Thur.-Fri., 11am-3pm and Sat., noon-4pm. Contact: Tim Lewis 828/337-3468 or James Smythe 828/507-4248.

Tryon

Tryon Arts and Crafts School, 373 Harmon Field Rd., Harmon Field, Tryon. **July 31, from 5-7pm** - "Volunteer and Member PreSale of TACS's Annual Yard Sale. To qualify for Pre-Sale privileges: Non-members must contribute min. 8 hours volunteer time prior to sale and members must contribute min. 4 hours volunteer time prior to sale. **Gift Shop, Ongoing** - Gift Shop features juried works by regional artisans to selected work produced by our instructors and students. Hours: Mon., 1-4pm; Tue., 9am-4pm; Wed., 1-4pm; Thur., 9am-4pm; Fri., 9am-4pm; and Sat., 9am-1pm. Contact: 828/859-8323 or at (www.tryonartsandcrafts.org).



Work by Carla Rokes

Upstairs Artspace, (Celebrating over 40 Years) 49 South Trade Street, Tryon. **July 20 - Sept. 5** - "Makers & Mentors: Balancing Art Practice and Teaching," a summer show which will feature 12 accomplished arts educators from around the region. A reception will be held on July 20, from 2-4pm. "There will be a variety of thought-provoking contemporary 2D and 3D works in this show, which celebrates the importance of arts education in society," says Eldred Hudson, curator of the exhibit and professor emeritus, graphic design, from UNC Charlotte. "The exhibition showcases the artists' exploration of relevant topics, creative use of materials and refinement of techniques." Hours: Tue.-Sat., noon-5pm. Contact: 828-859-2828 or at (www.upstairsartspace.org).

ALTERNATE ART SPACES - Tryon area **Columbus Library**, Polk County Public Libraries, 1289 West Mills Street, Columbus. **Ongoing** - We believe that a good public library reflects its unique environment. Polk County Public Libraries are committed to providing high-quality library services that are locally relevant. Our Strategic Plan was developed with the input of people throughout our communities and reflects the diverse needs of Polk County, now and in the future. The Plan informs how the we prioritize services and manage resources as it provides a framework for responsible decision-making. Hours: Mon., Wed., & Fri., 9am-6pm; Tue. & Thur., 9am-7pm; and Sat., 9am-4pm. Contact: 828/894-8721 or at (polklibrary.org).

Valdese

Valdese Heritage Arts Center, 146 Main Street West, Valdese. **Ongoing** - The center offers a great selection of unique gifts on exhibit and for sale, including, but not limited to original paintings, pottery, needlework, wood-carvings, hand crafted furniture, ceramic sculptures, stained glass, photography, jewelry, floral arrangements greeting cards, quilts and home made soap. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 9am-5pm & Sat., 11am-3pm. Contact: 828/874-1849 or at (<http://vhac.webs.com>).

Wake Forest

Renaissance Centre Arts Annex, 405 S. Brooks Street, Wake Forest. **Through Aug. 18** - "Capitol City Camera Club". A reception will be held on Aug. 22, from 6-8pm. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 9am-noon-1-5pm. For info call April Cannon at 919/435-9568.

Washington

River Walk Gallery and Arts Center, 139 W. Main Street, Washington. **Ongoing** - All work is done by local artists and has to be juried into the gallery. The gallery includes watercolor, oil, and acrylic paintings, photography, pottery, mixed media, fiber arts, jewelry, wood work, stained glass, and books written by local authors. Hours: Mon.-Sat., 10:30am-5pm. Contact: 252/974-0400.

Waynesville

Little Gallery on Church Street, 37 Church Street, Waynesville. **Ongoing** - Featuring montly exhibits by regional arts. Sponsored by the Haywood County Arts Council. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 9am-5pm. Contact: 828/452-0593 or at (www.haywoodarts.org).

The Museum of North Carolina Handicrafts, 307 Shelton Street, corner of US 276 So. and Shelton Street, Waynesville. **Ongoing** - Featuring the handicrafts of North Carolina in the historic Sheldon House. Hours: Museum hours change seasonally, call 828/452-1551.

Wentworth

Dan River Art Market & Gallery, 1122 NC Hwy. 65, Wentworth. **Ongoing** - The gallery offers art and craft by local artists and 6 gallery exhibits throughout the year, workshops and lectures. Hours: Thur., 10am-4pm; Fri., 11am-2pm; and by appt. Contact: 336/349-4039.

Wilmington

ACES Gallery, Arts Council of Wilmington and New Hanover County, 221 N Front Street, Suite 101, Wilmington. **Through July 22** - "Rendezvous," featuring an exhibit where acrylic paint meets cold wax by Gwen Pikul. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 10am-5pm. Contact: 910/343-0998 or at (www.ArtsCouncilofWilmington.org).

Ann Flack Boseman Art Gallery, Fisher University Union, 2nd Floor, UNC - Wilmington, Wilmington. **Ongoing** - The Boseman Gallery heightens awareness of both current and ongoing issues and creative processes, which encourages open dialogue and personal introspection. Open-call for exhibition proposals launch in the winter (Dec,-Jan.) to begin planning the full gallery series line up for the next academic year. UNCW students, alumni, and local or regional artists interested in being apart of the Boseman Gallery line up. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 7am-11pm; Sat., 10am-11pm; and Sun., 1-11pm. Contact: 910/962-7972, 910/962-3842 or e-mail at (artgallery@uncw.edu).

Cultural Arts Building, ground floor, corner of Randall Parkway and Reynolds Drive, UNC-Wilmington, Wilmington. **CAB Art Gallery, Through Sept. 10** - "2025 Studio Art Faculty Biennial". The "2025 Studio Art Faculty Biennial" features current work in a diverse range of media explored by University of North Carolina Wilmington's studio art faculty members.CAB Art Gallery Summer hours: (May 22 - Aug. 15, 2025) 10am-4pm, Mon.-Thur., closed on Fri. . Contact: Keltsey McKoy, Gallery Directorby

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