

# City of Goose Creek, SC, Opens New Arts Center - The Creek Collective

The City of Goose Creek, SC, has opened a new arts center called The Creek Collective, which is a result of Goose Creek’s embrace of the arts. “We don’t talk about art,” Goose Creek Mayor Greg Habib is fond of saying, “we create it.”

That enthusiastic embrace of the arts has captured the imagination of a City, and attracted creative talent of all ages and backgrounds.

From the popular Goose statues (available for purchase for all City businesses) to fantastic murals added to commercial buildings around town; from banners created by the City’s youngest artists to traffic box wraparound displays that make catching a red light a little more enjoyable, Goose Creek’s love for the arts is easy to notice.



People enjoying the opening of the Goose Creek Artist Guild exhibition

In May of this year, the City’s thriving art scene celebrated the opening of The Creek Collective, a beautiful facility that will serve as the premiere venue for the arts in Goose Creek. The facility is located at 222 St. James Ave., (former Wedding & Prayer Chapel) in Goose Creek.

The Creek Collective will host a wide array of programming, including classes, book signings, rotating exhibitions and special events celebrating art in all its forms. Visitors can view and purchase original



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works by local artists through regularly updated gallery showcases.

Mayor Habib calls the Collective “a milestone in our commitment to supporting the arts and giving our residents a dedicated space to experience and celebrate creativity. This is more than just a building - it’s a space where culture, community, and creativity come together.”

The first exhibit being presented showcases the work of members of the Goose Creek Artists Guild, on view through Aug. 31, 2025.

The Creek Collective is open to the public on Tue., from 9am-1pm; Thur., from 1-5pm; and Sat., from 9am-1pm.

The Creek Collective is the latest addition to the City’s world class Recreation Department, which opened Berkeley County first all-accessible playground in 2023 at Central Creek Park, located just down the street from the Collective’s 222 St. James Avenue location. The Daning Amphitheater, complete with room for 2,000 and a breathtaking view of the lake behind City Hall, opened in 2024.

For further information check our SC Institutional Gallery listings, call Gabbi Pace at 843/569-4242 ext. 5283 or visit (GooseCreekSC.gov).

# Charleston Crafts Cooperative in Charleston, SC, Offers Exhibition Focused on What’s Under the Sea

The Charleston Crafts Cooperative in Charleston, SC, will present *Under the Sea*, an eye catching experience highlighting the extraordinary work of local craft artisans, on view in the Co-op Gallery, from July 1 - 31, 2025. A reception will be held on July 11, from 5-8pm.

An enchanting journey beneath the waves awaits visitors at the upcoming exhibition. The exhibit invites the community to explore the wonder and mystery of ocean life through the lens of handcrafted artistry.



Work by Lynne Gettelfinger

Fairoozan, to vibrant textile seascapes by Lynne Gettelfinger, and sculptures of sea dwellers by Randy Aschenbrenner and Regina Semko, *Under the Sea* offers a stunning celebration of marine inspiration and creative craftsmanship. Each piece reflects the unique voice of local artists, capturing the intricate beauty of underwater ecosystems while showcasing diverse mediums such as woodwork, fiber art, paper sculpture, and more.



Work by Fairoozan

“We wanted to create a space where imagination and environmental consciousness could merge,” says Nancy Warren, Gallery Chair. “The sea holds endless inspiration, and our artisans have truly brought that magic to life with their hands.”

Charleston Crafts Cooperative Gallery is a dynamic community of more than two dozen jury-selected artisans, all from South Carolina, making this the city’s only exclusively local craft gallery. The gallery accepts applications for membership on a rolling basis and hosts a jury multiple times a year.

For further information check our SC Commercial Gallery listings, call the gallery at 843/501-7522 or visit (www.charleston-craftsgallery.com).

# Lowcountry Artist Gallery in Charleston, SC, Features Works by Gale Ray

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