

# Jerald Melberg Gallery in Charlotte, NC, Offers Works by Esteban Vicente & Felicia van Bork

Jerald Melberg Gallery in Charlotte, NC, is presenting two new exhibitions including: *Esteban Vicente: Collages* and *Felicia van Bork: The How To Series*, both on view through Dec. 27, 2014.

A member of the first generation of Abstract Expressionists, Esteban Vicente was part of the most influential circles of his generation. During the course of his long and lauded career, he closely studied shape, light and the possibilities of pigment. Vicente's bold, gestural work is widely recognized as being of central importance to the era.

The influences of both Post-Impressionism and Abstract Expressionism playfully share the stage in Felicia van Bork's collages, which she assembles from torn and cut pieces of her own monotype prints. The contrasting fragments evoke natural vistas, often populated by non-objective protagonists.

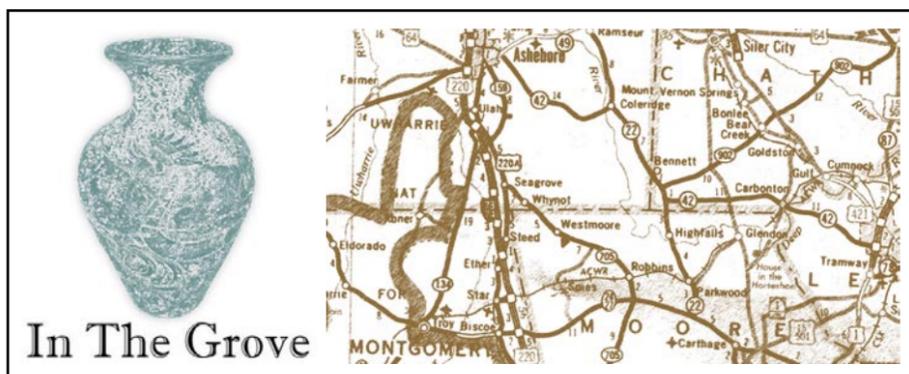
Jerald Melberg Gallery represent artists from all geographic regions throughout the United States, as well as Argentina and Spain. Equally diverse as where the



Work by Esteban Vicente

artists live are the types and styles of art they create. Among these are artists of such stature as Romare Bearden, the master American collagist of the twentieth century; Wolf Kahn, considered by many to be the premier living American landscape painter; and Robert Motherwell, one of the leaders of the American Abstract Expressionist movement.

For further information check our NC Commercial Gallery listings, call the gallery at 704/365-3000 or visit ([www.jeraldmelberg.com](http://www.jeraldmelberg.com)).



by Rhonda McCanless

Celebrate the holidays with Seagrove potters this year. December is packed with open houses, kiln openings and more to ring in the season.

On Dec. 6, Thomas Pottery will hold a Christmas Open House, Jugtown Pottery and O'Quinn Pottery will hold a Holiday Kiln Opening, and the Museum of NC Traditional Pottery will host a Christmas Open House with several shops participating.

The Thomas Pottery Christmas Open House will feature the shop's hand-painted Winter Scene Collection. The shop is located at 1295 N.C. Highway 705 South in Seagrove. For more information, visit ([www.ThomasPottery.com](http://www.ThomasPottery.com)).

Jugtown Pottery's kiln opening will begin with the Jugtown Museum opening at 7am. The event will feature collaborations, animals in clay, crafts and jewelry. For more information about the Jugtown and O'Quinn holiday events, visit ([www.PotteryOfBusbeeRoad.com](http://www.PotteryOfBusbeeRoad.com)). Jugtown is located at 330 Jugtown Road and O'Quinn Pottery is located at 4456 Busbee Road. The Museum of NC Traditional Pottery will have a list of shops participating in their Christmas Open House. The museum is located at 127 East Main Street in Seagrove. For more information, call 336/873-7887.



Works from Lathan's Pottery

Hickory Hill Pottery will host a Christmas Open House, Lathan's Pottery will hold a Holiday Open House and Lufkin Pottery will hold a Snowman Party on Dec. 12 and 13. Hickory Hill will stay open until 7pm both days. The cabin will be decorated for the holidays. Hickory Hill is located at 4539 Busbee Road. Call 910/464-3166 for more information.

The shop will be decorated for the



Work from Lufkin Pottery

holidays for the Latham's Pottery Holiday Open House. Door prizes will be given away and Bruce Latham will demonstrate from 1 to 5pm on Dec. 13. The shop is located at 7297 US Highway 220 South, Asheboro, NC. For more information, call 336/873-7303.

Lufkin Pottery's Snowman Party invites visitors to create their own snowman. Snowman forms and features, including hats, scarves and various glaze colors will be available. The finished snowmen will be ready to pick up after Dec. 22, in time for Christmas. The shop is located at 7437 US Highway 220 South, Asheboro, NC. For more information, visit ([www.LufkinPottery.com](http://www.LufkinPottery.com)).



Works from Eck McCanless Pottery

On Dec. 13, From the Ground Up Pottery, Eck McCanless Pottery, Bulldog Pottery, Michèle Hastings & Jeff Brown Pottery, Blue Hen Pottery, Westmoore Pottery, Studio Touya and Ben Owen Pottery will hold holiday events.

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Museum Hours:  
Tues-Sat 10am-4pm  
Business Hours:  
Mon-Fri 8:30am-5pm

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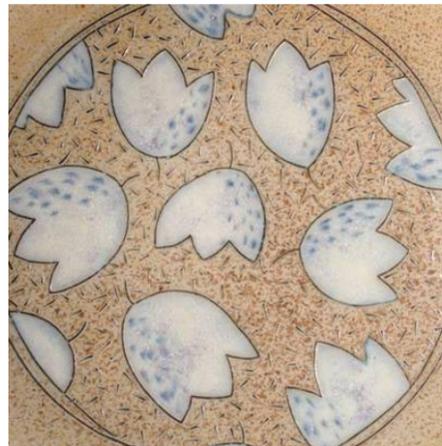
## NORTH CAROLINA POTTERY CENTER

a Holiday Kiln Opening featuring wood-fired pots, new glazes, tree pots, soul pots, bells, mugs, bottles, birds and jewelry. The shop is located at 172 Crestwood Road, Robbins, NC. For more information, call 910/464-6228.

Eck McCanless will demonstrate how he makes his agateware pottery during his shop's Holiday Open House. The shop will be decorated for the holidays with lots of gift ideas and stocking stuffers available. It is located at 6077 Old US Highway 220 in Seagrove. For more information, visit ([www.EckMcCanless.webs.com](http://www.EckMcCanless.webs.com)).

Bulldog Pottery's One More Hurrah - Holiday Kiln Opening will feature a fresh variety of pottery for the holiday season. The shop is located at 3306 US Highway 220, Seagrove, NC. For more information, visit ([www.BulldogPottery.com](http://www.BulldogPottery.com)).

The log cabin gallery at Michèle Hastings & Jeff Brown Pottery will be decked out for the holidays and filled with plenty of gift ideas for their Holiday Open House. The shop is located at 1423 NC Highway 705 in Seagrove. Visit ([www.GypsyPotters.net](http://www.GypsyPotters.net)) for more information.



Work from Blue Hen Pottery

Blue Hen Pottery will hold its first Holiday Sale featuring new colorful earthenware, as well as wood fired, salt-glaze pieces. The shop is located at 247 West Main Street in Seagrove. For more information, call 336/653-9551.

Westmoore Pottery will be decorated



Levi Mahan pulls out a small piece of pottery close to the end of his latest wood firing in Seagrove, NC

for the holidays and will have a kiln opening. Ben Owen Pottery's Holiday Open House will feature a selection of Chinese Red, Stardust, Plum colors. Studio Touya will have a kiln opening to celebrate the holidays.

Chris Luther Pottery will hold a Holiday Kiln Opening Dec. 13 and 20 featuring new shapes and glazes on Dec. 13. Another kiln load will be available on Dec. 20.

Ben Owen Pottery is located at 2199 NC Highway 705, Seagrove, NC. Westmoore Pottery, Studio Touya and Chris Luther Pottery are located nearby on Busbee Road. More information about the holiday events for all four shops can be found at ([www.PotteryOfBusbeeRoad.com](http://www.PotteryOfBusbeeRoad.com)).

The STARworks Glass Holiday Ornament Sale is Dec. 6, from 10am to noon. More than 2,000 hand-blown ornaments in all sizes, shapes and color combinations will be available in STARworks Gallery. Each piece is created by STARworks Glass team, consisting of Joe Grant, Tom Zogas, George Dielman and Michael Migliorini. Proceeds from the event will go to support STARworks programs. The next STARworks Hot Glass Cold Beer evening is Dec. 11. HGCB is on the second Thursday of each month, from 5:30 to 7:30pm. The public is invited to come watch a free hot glass demonstration. Visitors who are 21 and older can purchase a hand-blown STARworks glass

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