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"Blessing Of The Inlet"  
**SATURDAY, MAY 7, 2011, 9am - 4pm**

Belin Memorial United Methodist Church  
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[www.BlessingoftheInlet.com](http://www.BlessingoftheInlet.com)

Spaces are approximately 12'x12' for \$40.  
Deadline for vendor applications is April 30, 2011.

**For further information** and to request an application,  
Call Judy Irish at 843-424-0509, E-mail to: [jki328@yahoo.com](mailto:jki328@yahoo.com)  
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## Morris & Whiteside Galleries on Hilton Head Is., SC, Offers Works by Stephen Scott Young

Morris & Whiteside Galleries on Hilton Head Island, SC, will present new works by Stephen Scott Young, during the month of February, 2011.

Stephen Scott Young is known for his watercolor paintings. Inspired by the work of Thomas Eakins, Winslow Homer, and Andrew Wyeth, Young has done highly finished, detailed figurative subjects.

A graduate of the Ringling School of Art in Sarasota, FL, Young began working in watercolor in 1976, and took first prize at the American Artists national art competition in watercolors in 1985. Also, in the early 1980's, Young made his first trip to the Bahamas where he discovered the crisp, bright light that has become the hallmark of his paintings today. Currently, the artist divides his time between studios in Florida and the Bahamas.

Each masterwork by Young is preceded

by numerous drawings, sketches, studies, and preparatory paintings. The spirit of these works in progress often exceeds the finished subject and, when available, are eagerly sought by collectors.

Young has had many one man exhibitions at various art galleries and museums including: The Norton Gallery of Art, West Palm Beach, FL; The Hunter Museum of Art, Chattanooga, TN; The Greenville County Museum of Art, Greenville, SC; Museum of Fine Arts, St. Petersburg, FL; The Arkansas Arts Center, Little Rock, AR; The Butler Institute of American Art, Youngstown, OH; Jacksonville Art Museum, Jacksonville, FL; and The Montgomery Museum of Fine Arts, Montgomery, AL.

For further info check our SC Commercial Gallery listings, call 843/842-4433 or visit ([www.morris-whiteside.com](http://www.morris-whiteside.com)).

## Craven Arts Council in New Bern, NC, Offers Works by Bill Lease and Area Potters

The Craven Arts Council in New Bern, NC, is presenting, *A Shared Promise and Responsibility*, an exhibit of photographs by Bill Lease and bowls by Eastern North Carolina potters, on view through Feb. 26, 2011, at the Bank of the Arts.

Bill Lease is a third-generation artist working in digital photography. "Through my photography, I strive to examine the seemingly ordinary. My desire is to offer a perspective that creates a focus for quiet reflection or the nucleus for exploration and discovery. Photographic images are: an opportunity to capture a moment in time; a vignette by which we may examine the world in which we are privileged to live; an invitation to take a very personal and singular journey to places in our imagination; an invitation to experience,

not merely view; at once, the image and the concept - a story."

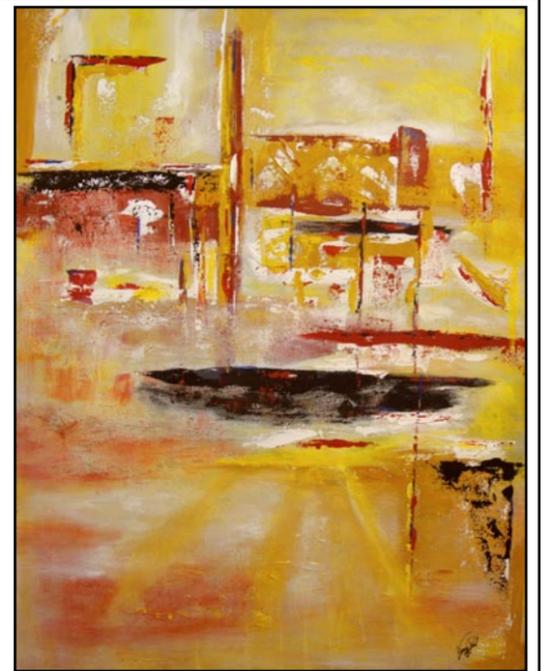
And tell a story, he does! As a prelude to our Empty Bowls fundraiser on Feb. 10, 2011, Lease was asked to help call attention to hunger and poverty in Craven County by photographing the people who avail themselves of Religious Community Services's soup kitchen and shelter. What he found was both moving and uplifting.

In addition to Lease's photography, the exhibit will feature "big bowls" by local potters Joanne Ashton, Becky Badger, Joyce Basye, Jim Bisbee, Milton Bland, Carolyn Curran, Rich Daniels, Scott Haines, Misty Lupton, Carol McCracken, Linda Murdock, Elizabeth Priddy, Carolyn Sleeper, Bonnie Tinsley, Debbie Wait, Ben Watford, Michaelé Rose Watson, Debbie

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Jerry Peel, acrylic on canvas

Wheeler, Brent Wheelright and Candace Young. Participating potters will also donate smaller bowls for the Empty Bowls event.

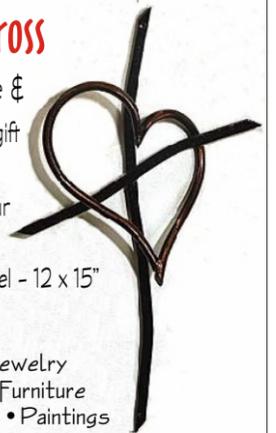
Empty Bowls is a joint outreach of Religious Community Services and the Craven Arts Council. It is a project designed to fight hunger, personalized by artists and art organizations on a community level. Local restaurants and churches will make, serve and donate soup and bread to serve at the event; and individuals and local artists will donate pottery bowls. Attendees get to have some soup and bread and choose a one-of-a-kind pottery bowl to take home.

This year's Empty Bowls fundraiser will be held at Temple Baptist Church, 1500 Kingdom Way, New Bern, on Thur., Feb. 10, from 11am until 2pm. Tickets are \$20 and are available at the Bank of the Arts and Fuller's Music in New Bern.

For further information check our NC Institutional Gallery listings, call the Council at 252/638-2577 or visit ([www.cravenarts.org](http://www.cravenarts.org)).

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