

# Cottontown Art Crawl Takes Place in Downtown Columbia, SC - Mar. 13, 2021

In 2019, the historic Cottontown neighborhood in downtown Columbia, SC, held the first Cottontown Art Crawl. The event drew hundreds of people to explore our neighborhood and its businesses and garnered the 2019 Neighborhood Program of the Year from the Columbia Council of Neighborhoods. The event grew in 2020, and building on the success of the last two years, the 2021 Cottontown Art Crawl (CAC) will be held on Saturday, Mar. 13, from 10am to 3pm.

“The Cottontown neighborhood is looking forward to supporting the Columbia arts scene on Mar. 13,” said organizer Julie Seel. “Artists will be selling their work throughout the entire neighborhood.” Eighty-two local artists will be stationed in 40 locations, on front porches and outside businesses. “Some of the artists are emerging, some are quite accomplished, and some are award winning, juried artists. So we truly have something for every level of art enthusiast,” said Seel.

This event is entirely outdoors and spread over several city blocks, and social distancing and masks will be required. The organizers of the event are committed to creating a safe and welcoming environment for all, and providing an opportunity



for artists to showcase and sell their work safely.

Due to the success of the last two Art Crawls, this year boasts many more artists than previous years, as well as new sponsorships from local businesses. The event is free and open to the public, and will also feature a scavenger hunt with prizes and live music featuring local bands and performers at Indah Coffee’s outdoor stage. The host station is 2150 Sumter Street, where information and maps will be available.

For further information check our SC Commercial Gallery listings. For info about CAC and to see work by artists, please visit the Facebook and Instagram pages, or e-mail to (jseel1@sc.rr.com).

# Aiken Center for the Arts in Aiken, SC, Offers Works by Wildlife Artists

The Aiken Center for the Arts in Aiken, SC, is presenting *going...going...gone*, featuring an exhibition supporting wildlife conservation and education through art, on view in the Center’s Main Gallery, through Mar. 19, 2021. The exhibit features works by three different artists unified by a passion for nature and wildlife conservation, including: Robert Campbell, Camryn Finnan and Whitney Kurlan.

Robert Campbell is an artist and designer for conservation organizations worldwide. He has had a lifelong love of rhinos that comes through in his passion to paint and commitment to help. His work features oil and watercolor paintings and charcoal drawings of these critically endangered species.



Work by Robert Campbell

work features photographs from her time living and working as a K9 Trainer in South Africa, while trying to make a positive impact on the world for the animals.

Whitney Kurlan is a wildlife conservation artist specializing in endangered species. Her work will feature a collection of pastels and oils of one of Africa’s most endangered species, Painted Dogs. She will be supporting the non-profit Painted Dog Conservation.

The mission of Aiken Center for the Arts (ACA) is to inspire and educate by providing unique visual and performing art experiences for all ages.

For further information check our SC Institutional Gallery listings, call the Center at 803/641-9094 or visit (<https://aikencenterforthearts.org/>).



Work by Whitney Kurlan

Camryn Finnan is a photographer and dog trainer for anti-poaching efforts and illegal wildlife trade in South Africa. Her

# Arts Center of Kershaw County in Camden, SC, Features Works by Lillie Morris

The Arts Center of Kershaw County in Camden, SC, in partnership with Irish Fest Camden, will present *UISCE*, featuring works by Lillie Morris, on view in the Bassett Gallery, from Mar. 4 through Apr. 14, 2021. A reception will be held on Mar. 4, from 5:30-7pm. COVID-19 guidelines will be practiced.

Uisce (ish-ka) is the Irish word for “water,” and happens to be the origin of the word “whiskey.”

Best known for her acrylic, collage and mixed media paintings, Morris also occasionally works in cold wax and encaustic painting. She specializes in abstract art, both representational and non-representational. Her paintings, whether collage, acrylic or a mixture of mediums reveal a



Work by Lillie Morris

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