

SC Institutional Galleries

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CMA's greatest hits, this exhibition features over 30 paintings, drawings, photographs and sculptures from the Museum's collection that have not been on view recently. It offers the visitor experiences both serious and sensual and is designed to both entertain and enlighten. Notable works included are by Jasper Johns, Howard Thomas, Sally Mann and Edward Ruscha, whose famous image of the Hollywood Hills (on view) has become a staple of the art world. **Ray Taylor Fair Gallery, Ongoing** - Featuring a new and permanent installation of its ancient art collection. The installation includes approximately 50 objects that introduce the major ancient civilizations from the Mediterranean and Near East. Examples of the earliest form of writing from 12th century B.C. Mesopotamia, are shown next to Egyptian scarabs and Greek painted vessels. The world of the ancient Romans is represented by 2nd century glass and bronze items and portrait sculpture. Many of these works have not been seen since the Museum moved to its location on Main Street in 1998. The collection has grown over the last several years with the donation of 12 fine Roman sculptures in 2002 from Pennsylvania collector Dr. Robert Y. Turner. Admission: Yes, but there is no admission charge on Sun. **Free admission through Labor Day** - The Columbia Museum of Art has been selected to participate in Art Bridges Foundation's Access for All program, a transformative, three-year funding initiative aimed at increasing access to museums across America and fostering engagement with local audiences. Through this generous support, the CMA is launching Free Summer at the CMA, a new endeavor that offers all residents of South Carolina free general admission to the museum from. Hours: Tue.-Sun., from 10am-5pm. Contact: 803/799-2810 or at (www.columbiamuseum.org).

Ernest A. Finney, Jr. Cultural Arts Center, 1510 Laurens Street, Columbia. **Ongoing** - The Ernest A. Finney, Jr. Cultural Arts Center, a 501c3 organization located at 1510 Laurens Street, Columbia, South Carolina, (formerly the Southern Electric building) officially opened in the summer of 2022. This new center is home to African American culture, art, and expression. It is also a long-awaited gathering place for community conversations. The new center is in the historic Robert Mills district and just across from the historic Waverly Community, and a stone's throw from the one-hundred-year-old railroad tracks that have long defined small-town southern life in America. The focus of this Cultural Arts Center is on the making of art, the keeping of community, living Black history, and the ongoing generational celebration of music, visual art, poetry, dance, theatre, the culinary arts, and other community building and life sustaining activities. Hours: Mon.-Sat., 9am-4pm & Sun., noon-4pm. Contact: e-mail at (finneyjrccac@gmail.com) or visit (finneyjrccac.com).

Goodall Gallery, Spears Music/Art Center, Columbia College, 1301 Columbia College Drive, Columbia. **Through Aug. 30** - "Aiming For Freedom," featuring works by Destiny Palmer, Kimberly Love Radcliffe, Darrell Ann Gane-McCalla, and Marla McLeod, curated by Wellesley College's post-doctoral fellow with AntoCarceral Co-laboratory, K. Melchor Quick Hall. First launched at Avery Research Center for African American History and Culture, at the College of Charleston, in February 2024, this multi-media exhibition serves as a stage for public debate and discussion on race, reparations, and the right paths to making new and freer worlds. Hours: Mon.-Wed., 10am-6pm; Thur.-Fri., 10am-7pm; and Sat.-Sun., 1-5pm. Contact: call Rebecca B. Munnerlyn at 803/786.3649 or e-mail at (rbumnerlyn@colacoll.edu).

McKissick Museum, University of South Carolina, USC Horseshoe, Columbia. **Ongoing** - "Highlights from the Permanent Collections of McKissick Museum". **Permanent** - "Baruch Silver Collection," a collection of the Baruch family silver. And, "Natural Curiosity: USC and the Evolution of Scientific Inquiry into the Natural World". Hours: Mon.-Fri., 8:30am-5pm & Sat., 11am-3pm. Contact: 803/777-7251 or at (<http://artsandsciences.sc.edu/mcks/>).

Mill District Public Art Trail (MDPAT), throughout the Whaley, Olympia and Granby neighborhoods, known as Columbia, SC's Mill District, Columbia. **Ongoing** - The MDPAT was conceived as a project in 2017 by 701 Center for Contemporary Art board and staff to connect the three neighborhoods through a creative endeavor. The inaugural works on the trail were created by 11 South Carolina artists - collaborators David Gianni (Aiken) and Anna Redwine (Columbia), Diana Farfán (Greenville), Susan Lenz (Columbia), Robert Lyon (Columbia), Doug McAbee (Greenwood), Philip Moody (Rock Hill), Carey Morton (Charleston), Jordan Sheridan (Columbia), Brittany Watkins (Colum-

bia), and Fletcher Williams III (Charleston). The works on the Mill District Public Art Trail invite us to explore the art and highlight the unique character of the distinctive neighborhoods within the Mill District. Part of this journey is discovering art in unexpected and surprising spaces. It is also an indication of the ongoing transformation taking place in this historically important community. Hours: normal daylight hours. For further information call 803/238-2351 or visit (<https://www.701cca.org/mill-district-public-art-trail-rfq-questions-answers>).

Richland County Public Library, 1431 Assembly St., Columbia. **Ongoing** - Featuring 20 pieces of public art on permanent display. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 9am-9pm; Sat, 9am-6pm; Sun, 2-6pm. Contact: 803/988-0886 or at (www.richlandlibrary.com).



Installation by Jordan Sheridan

701 Center for Contemporary Art, 701 Whaley St., Columbia. **2nd Floor Gallery, Aug. 3, from 1-3pm** - Gallery Talk with Daniel Esquivia Zapata. Daniel Esquivia Zapata will give a gallery talk about the body of work he has created during his summer residency. Explore the themes behind the intricate portraits of his family members, and drawings of plants, and hummingbirds. Learn firsthand about Esquivia Zapata's creative process and the inspirations behind his latest series, which delves into the concept of domestic 'places of memory' within our bodies. He addresses the complexities and beauty of family relationships amidst historical legacies and personal narratives. Attendees will have the opportunity to ask questions directly to the artist and follow along with the group conversation to learn about the materials and techniques used to create his art. Admission is free. Donations accepted and appreciated. **Main Gallery, Aug. 22 - Oct. 6** - "Womb Rooms," an installation by Artist in Residence Jordan Sheridan, who investigates the intricate realms of motherhood and identity through her unique blend of textile installations. Born in Northeastern Arkansas in 1989, Sheridan's artistic trajectory has been deeply shaped by her experience as a mother, particularly since the birth of her son Samuel in 2017. Her pursuit of an MFA degree at the University of South Carolina marked a pivotal moment in her artistic evolution, catalyzing a shift from 2-D painting to large-scale textile installations. During her residency, Sheridan has immersed herself in the creation of a series of "womb rooms" using crocheted textiles, which will be featured in her upcoming exhibition at 701 CCA. These rooms will serve as a labyrinth within the gallery space, inviting visitors to engage in a tactile exploration of maternal identity. Through interactive sculpture, audio, and light, each room will offer a unique sensory experience, reflecting Sheridan's profound narrative on the journey of motherhood. Hours: Thur.-Sun., 1-5pm. Contact: call Caitlin Bright at 803/238-2351 or at (www.701cca.org).

SC State Museum, 301 Gervais St., Columbia. **Ongoing** - "The 521 All-Stars: A Championship Story of Baseball and Community,". Featuring 40 photographs exploring the story of a Black baseball team from Rembert, SC, and their fans. Based on the 1998 book by Frye Gaillard with photographs by Byron Baldwin, the exhibition highlights the story of the 521 All-Stars team of Rembert, SC, a Black baseball team with roots going back to the 1920s. Named for Hwy 521, which runs past their baseball field, the 521 All-Stars play for the love of the game and the pride and solidarity it brings. Featuring more than 40 framed black and white photographs taken during the team's 1996-1997 season, 521 All-Stars depicts baseball in its purest form: scrap metal bases, rotten wood bleachers, teams made up of brothers, fathers, sons and, most importantly, fellowship within the community. **Ongoing** - The South Carolina State Museum, the state's largest and most comprehensive museum, is located along the banks of the beautiful Congaree River in downtown Columbia, South Carolina. Founded in 1988, the State Museum is the primary storyteller of the history of South Carolina. Through rich and diverse collections displayed through interactive and engaging exhibitions, the State Museum strives to honor the groundbreaking nature of its setting, providing both residents and visitors an in-depth picture of the state's past, present and future. There is much to see and do

every day at the State Museum through a variety of exhibitions and educational programs both offered at the museum and through distance learning programs, as well as through entertaining community events of all kind. **The Crescent Café**, second floor mezzanine of the Museum. The house menu offers a variety of baked goods, juices, coffee, hot chocolate and tea. Lunchtime offerings include deli sandwiches and alternating daily soups, as well as grilled chicken salads and sandwiches. And let's not forget the house specialty: spectacular fudge, handmade on-site. Admission: Yes. The South Carolina State Museum is proud to be part of the Blue Star Museums initiative, a national appreciation program to thank our military families for their service and share with them America's cultural treasures. As a part of Blue Star Museums, active military and their families are invited to enjoy free general admission to the South Carolina State Museum from Armed Forces Day, through Labor Day, Sept. 2, 2024. For a list of participating museums, visit (arts.gov/bluestarmuseums). Hours: Mon.-Sat., from 10am-5pm and Sun., from noon-5pm. Admission: Yes. Contact: call 803/898-4921 or at (<http://scmuseum.org/>).

ALTERNATE ART SPACES - Columbia area **Columbia Metropolitan Convention Center**, 1101 Lincoln St., Columbia. **Ongoing** - Featuring works by local artists throughout the convention center, including works by Mike Williams, Liisa Salosaari Jasinski, Tyrone Geter, Peter Lenzo, Jamie Davis, Tom Lockart & Mark Woodham, Angela Bradburn, Virginia Scotchie, Denise Dent, Sue Grier, Brian Rego, Heather LaHaise, Howard Hunt, Robert Campbell, Ernest Lee, David J.P. Hooker, Ralph Waldrop, Elena Madden, Debbie Martin, Blue Sky, Laura Spong, Jean McWhorter, Claire Farrell, Justin Guy, and Jonathan Green. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 9am-5pm; Sat., 10am-4pm & Sun., 1-5pm. Contact: 803/545-01181.

Land Bank Lofts Gallery, Federal Land Bank Building, 1401 Hampton Street, Columbia. **Ongoing** - Land Bank Lofts Gallery is growing as a large-scale center for exhibiting home-grown original art. In 2016, the South Carolina Artists group set out to create a gallery in the historic building constructed in 1924. Home to the famous "Tunnel Vision" & "Haystacks" murals, the as it was originally known has been completely transformed into a modern masterpiece for today's lifestyle. Hours: call for hours. Contact: call 803/828-7790 or South Carolina Artists by calling 803/602-4814 or at (<http://www.southcarolinaartists.com>).

Sidewalk Gallery at The Meridan Building, 1320 Street, Columbia. **Ongoing** - The gallery at the Meridian Building displays art within the lobby and features art in block-length window displays so patrons can peruse local art while walking downtown. Art of any medium is permitted, and most artists show 3-5 pieces, though more is allowed, with up to 22 being previously included; art cannot exceed \$2,500. Several individual artists are featured simultaneously in this space with three months being the average display period for each. Art within the building can be accessed during office hours, and pieces in the window can be viewed 24/7. Hours: The windows are open 24/7 with lighting in the evenings, the Main Street lobby is open 8am-6pm Mon.-Fri., closed to the public on weekends but can be accessed by appt. Contact: e-mail to (jaspergalleries@gmail.com).

Conway

Horry County Museum, 805 Main St, Conway. **Ongoing** - To collect and preserve material related to the prehistory, natural history, history and culture of Horry County; to interpret and to create exhibits of such materials and to prepare educational programs related to them for presentation to the public, particularly the citizens of Horry County, South Carolina, and to operate a facility for this purpose. Hours: Tue.-Sat., 9am-5pm. Contact: 843/915-5320 or at (www.horrycountymuseum.org).

Due West

Bowie Arts Center, Bonner St., Erskine College, Due West. **Ongoing** - "Redemption Exhibit", "Woman: Image Bearer" and "Edgefield Pottery Exhibit". Summer Hours: by appt. only. Contact: 864/379-8867.

Eloree

Eloree Heritage Museum and Cultural Museum, 2714 Cleveland Street, Eloree. **Ongoing** - Stroll Cleveland Street as it appeared in 1900 and delight in the recreated stores, bank and hotel; Explore the train station, logging and butchering areas; Visit Snider Cabin, birthplace of William J. Snider, founder of Eloree; Learn about tenant farming and meet midwife Mary Ella Jones who was responsible for delivering many Eloree babies; Take a rest in the two-seater outhouse; Explore a plantation gin house with its original gin, cotton press, and mechanicals;

Learn how cotton is grown, picked and ginned today; See the variety of horse-drawn plows, planters and cultivators that farmers used to work their land; Meet Ruby Doo and learn about the history of mules and the vital role they played in southern agriculture; and Visit the upstairs gallery for the latest show featuring work by local and regional South Carolina artists, a baseball exhibit, a postcard exhibit or any of a variety of changing exhibits. Admission: Yes. Hours: Wed.-Sat., 10am-5pm. Contact: 803-897-2225 or at (<http://www.elloreemuseum.org>).

Florence

Florence County Museum, 111 West Cheves Street, across the street from the Francis Marion University Performing Arts Center, Florence. **Through Dec. 1** - "Kindred Spirit: The Personal Worlds of William H. Johnson". William H. Johnson (1901 - 1970) was a man between worlds: raised in the rural South, but educated in New York; black, but his unknown father was white; American-born, but lived much of his adult life in Europe. This diverse heritage gave Johnson a unique perspective and insight, but at times it was also a difficult shadow which followed him as he traveled the world in search of his true artistic voice. Eventually, after many years away from his hometown of Florence, SC, Johnson returned to the United States. Although living in New York, his art began to focus almost entirely on the lives and experiences of African Americans in the rural South. "My travels taught me that an artist must live and paint in his own environment... This development shall continue for the rest of my life, and it is the painting of my people," said Johnson in 1941. **Educational Gallery, Through Dec. 12** - "Recollect". Celebrating 10 years in its current location and almost 100 years as an institution, "Recollect" describes the history of the museum. The exhibition takes a closer look at its earliest acquisitions and asks the viewer to consider how the museum has changed over time. Historical objects and images chronicle the past, present and future of the museum's work, including the role of museum founder Jane Beverly Evans and her vision. **Community Gallery, Ongoing** - This exhibit introduces visitors to the history of the museum and its formative collections. This gallery also exhibits the histories and diversity of the City of Florence, and the incorporated municipalities of Florence County. Additionally, the Community Gallery communicates the lives, stories and accomplishments of significant past and present citizens of Florence County and members of its communities. This gallery is one of two permanent exhibit spaces designed by award winning exhibit design firm, HaleySharpe Design. **Pee Dee History Gallery, Ongoing** - This is the largest gallery space in the facility, comprising 3,300 sq. ft. of exhibit space. This permanent collections gallery occupies the entire second floor, east wing of the building. Artifacts are supported by historical images and narrative interpretation, giving a comprehensive introduction to the Pee Dee region from prehistory to the present. This gallery is one of two permanent exhibit spaces designed by award winning exhibit design firm, HaleySharpe Design. Admission: Free. Hours: Tue.-Sat., 10am-5pm & Sun. 2-5pm. Contact: 843/676-1200 or visit (www.flocomuseum.org).

Hyman Fine Arts Center, Francis Marion University, Florence. **Adele Kassab Art Gallery, Through Aug. 10** - "Written in Moments," featuring works by Jessica Willis. This show focuses on how the stories we hold within ourselves from childhood and into adulthood affect the choices we make and how we choose to tell the narrative of our own story. It explores the idea that every epic tale is written in a series of tiny moments that are hard to discern in real time but become clear in hindsight. The images are shadowy and playful and are pulled from both folk and fairy tale origins on the outer perimeter of the gallery, and from personal experience in the center space. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 8:30am-5pm. Contact: Jessica Willis, Gallery Curator, at 843/661-1539 or at (<https://www.fmarion.edu/finearts/artgalleryseriescurrent/>).



Work by Mar Martinez

Steven F. Gately Gallery, Francis Marion University, 142 North Dargan Street, Florence. **Aug. 13 - Oct. 13** - "Warring Factions," featuring works by Mår Martinez and the "Florence Regional

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