

NC Institutional Galleries

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Cherokee

Qualla Arts and Crafts Mutual, 645 Tsali Blvd., across from the Museum of the Cherokee Indian, Cherokee. **Ongoing** - Featuring basket weaving, pottery, wood carving, finger weaving, beadwork, stone carving and fine painting by members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. Artisans must go through a juried process to become affiliated with the organization and current membership stands at about 300. Hours: open daily, year round, with seasonal hours. Contact: 828/497-3103 or at (www.cherokee-nc.com).

The Museum of the Cherokee People, 589 Tsali Boulevard, Cherokee. **Through Feb. 28, 2025** - "sov-er-eign-ty: Expressions in Sovereignty of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians". This exhibition illuminates the complexities of tribal sovereignty and the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians' continuing legacy of resilience. In this exhibition, visitors will learn how, through adaptability and innovation, the EBCCI has combated attempts to eradicate, remove, and assimilate its people and remained on the Qualla Boundary - 57,000 acres (0.00067661% of the original Cherokee territory) which is owned by the EBCCI and held in trust by the federal government. **Ongoing** - Welcome to a sweeping history of the Cherokee Nation, engaging and oftentimes heart-rending, from ice age beginnings to present-day life and culture. In the brushstrokes of this fascinating heritage, you'll discover the warp and weft of treaties, the roots of a naturalistic language, artifacts of particular periods, great figures and heroes and entrancing stories of a civilization along with the Cherokee's distinctive values and ways of being in the world before and after "the Trail of Tears." The museum offers courses and workshops that combine scholarly content with voices of Cherokee people and experiences on the Qualla Boundary. A perfect place to begin exploration of Cherokee heritage and traditions is the Museum of the Cherokee Indian in Cherokee, North Carolina. Visitors are greeted at the entrance by a 20-foot hand-carved statue of Sequoyah, the inventor of the Cherokee alphabet. An interpretive site for the Trail of Tears National Historic Trail, this state-of-the-art facility traces the story of the Cherokee from the earliest inhabitants of the area 11,000 years ago to the present. An extensive exhibit of artifacts and photos is enhanced with computer-generated holograms and other imagery, sound, and special effects that leave a lasting and haunting impression on the visitor. The museum gift shop is rich in Cherokee tradition. Locally created baskets, pottery, wood carvings, decorated gourds and beadwork are among the art available for sale. Books on Cherokee history, culture, language, and genealogy line the shelves, along with audio CDs and tapes by local musicians and storytellers. Admission: Yes. Hours: Daily, 9am-5pm; closed New Years Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day. Contact: 828-497-3481 or at (<https://mci.org>).

Columbia

Pocosin Arts School of Fine Craft and Contemporary Craft Gallery, 201 Main Street, Columbia. **Ongoing** - Arts School of Fine Craft is eastern North Carolina's premier hand-craft education center offering workshops, community programs, artist residences and gallery space. The Pocosin Gallery exhibits and sells work by current and former Pocosin resident artists, and students from around the country. Knowledgeable staff provides information about Pocosin Arts' programs, artists, studios and community involvement. The Pocosin Gallery in addition to Pocosin Art' studios, lodge, and exceptional programming provides a unique destination for visitors. Hours: Mon.-Sat., 11am-5pm. Contact: 252-796-2787 or at (<https://pocosinarts.org>).

Concord

ClearWater Arts Center & Studios, 223 Crowell Dr., NW, Concord. **Ongoing** - ClearWater Arts Center & Studios enables inspiration, creative expression and community connections through providing access to top-notch artists, their teaching and their works; as well as affordable space for working artists to build their practice and community, and for the community to hold private or public events and to gather. Hours: Wed.-Fri., noon-5pm; however, the Manager is usually onsite 11am-6pm

most weekdays with some exceptions. Calling ahead, to be sure the door will be open, is recommended. Contact: 704/784-9535 or ([www. ClearWaterArtists.com](http://www.ClearWaterArtists.com)).

The Galleries of the Cabarrus Arts Council, in Concord's Historic Courthouse, 65 Union Street South, Concord. **Through Oct. 5** - "Roots/Raices," featuring the work of Miguel Aragon, Julio Gonzalez, and Rosalia Torres-Weiner. Each of these three artists create and present a dialogue of their past, present, and future through the lens of history and culture. Miguel Aragon's prints aim to freeze a specific moment in time. Julio Gonzalez's head masks explore observations of the world, and Rosalia Torres-Weiner's paintings delve into art activism in this captivating exhibit. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 9am-5pm. Contact: 704/920-ARTS or at ([www. cabarrusartscouncil.org](http://www.cabarrusartscouncil.org)).

Cullowhee

Fine Art Museum, Fine & Performing Arts Center, Western Carolina University, Cullowhee. **Through Oct. 18** - "Stellar Picks: A Community Choice Exhibition". This exhibition is for everyone who has a favorite piece of art in the WCU Fine Art Museum collection - or would like to discover one! The Museum recently launched a new web portal for searching the Museum's permanent collection online. The portal includes images and information about hundreds of works of art from the Museum's 2,100-piece collection, which focuses on contemporary art of the Americas. The exhibition features works by Rosemarie Beck, Thomas Scharman Buechner, Sydney A. Cross, Jane Culp, Fritz Dreisbach, Stephen Dee Edwards, Shane Fero, Donna Ferrato, Robert Godfrey, Bryant Holsenbeck, Ursula Huber Peer, Harvey K. Littleton, John Littleton & Kate Vogel, Newsworthy Drawing Club (Julie Armbruster and R. Brooke Priddy Conrad), Joel Queen, Keith Rasmussen, Richard Ritter, John Rose, Manuel Tzoc, Wally Smith, and Tadashi Torii. **Through Dec. 6** - "At the Table". A reception will be held on Oct. 3, from 5-7pm. At The Table, is inspired by Western Carolina University's 2023-24 campus theme of Community and Belongingness and ties in with recent conversations in our community about the importance of having one's voice heard and being given a seat at the table. Featuring numerous nationally known artists, the exhibition brings together contemporary works of art from the 1980s to the present that explore ideas of community, power, and representation through their depiction or use of a "table." The exhibition features Works by Beth Lipman, Bob Trotman, Charles F. Quest, Cara Romero, Danielle Daniels & Amanda Ballard, Donna Ferrato, Elizabeth Murray, Faith Ringgold, Heather Mae Erickson, Hollis Sigler, Jacqueline Hassink, Joy Harjo, Narsiso Martinez, Faith Ringgold, Roger Shimomura, Sandy Skoglund, and Shari Urquhart. **Ongoing** - The WCU Fine Art Museum is currently offering an interactive 360° virtual tour of the exhibition, "Cultivating Collections: Paintings, Ceramics, and Works by Latinx and Latin American Artists". This multi-year series of exhibitions highlight specific areas of the WCU Fine Art Museum's Collection, which includes over 1,800 works of art in a wide range of media by artists of the Americas. As the Museum's holdings increase, either through donations or purchases, it is essential for the Museum to evaluate strengths, identify key acquisition areas, and also pinpoint where significant change is needed. Throughout the fall more virtual events will be available, learn more at arts.wcu.edu/cultivatingcollections. Hours: Tue.- Fri., 10am-4pm & Sat., 1-4pm. Contact: 828/227-3591 or at (<https://www.wcu.edu/bardo-arts-center/fine-art-museum/>).

Dallas

Gaston County Museum, 131 W. Main Street, Dallas. **Ongoing** - Explore the art and history of Gaston County in our permanent and rotating exhibits. Admission: Free. Hours: Tue.-Fri., 10am-5pm & Sat., 10am-3pm. Contact: 704/922-7681 or at (gastoncountymuseum.org).

Dillsboro

Jackson County Green Energy Park, 100 Green Energy Park Rd., Dillsboro. **Ongoing** - Featuring art created with renewable energy featuring blown glass, forge-hammered metals, ceramics. The Jackson County Green Energy Park (JCGEP) utilizes clean, renewable energy resources to encourage economic development, provide environmental protection, and offer educational opportunities that together will help lead towards a more sustainable future for Western North Carolina. Hours: Tue.-Thur., 1-4pm & Sat., 10am-4pm. Contact: 828/631-0271 or at (www.jcgep.org).

Durham

Claymakers, Gallery of Fine Handmade Pottery, 451 S. Driver Street in Old East Durham, Durham. **Ongoing** - Shows an ongoing, but rotating, exhibit of Claymakers Community artists. Current exhibitors include Corinne Fox, Deborah Harris, Laura Korch, Barbara McKenzie, Teresa Pietsch, Elizabeth Paley, Gillian Parke, Savannah Scarborough, and Evelyn Ward. Hours: Tue.-Sat., 1-6pm & 3rd fri. of the month from 6-9pm. Contact: 919/530-8355 or at (<http://www.claymakers.org/>).

Durham Arts Council Building, 120 Morris Street, Durham. **Through Nov. 1** - "Mark Anthony Brown Jr." **Through Nov. 1** - "Jennifer Canwell". Hours: Mon.-Sat., 9am-9pm & Sun. 1-6pm. Contact: 919/560-2787 or at (www.durhamarts.org).

Liberty Arts Gallery, 918 Pearl Street in the Cleveland-Holloway neighborhood of East Durham. **Ongoing** - Liberty Arts is a nonprofit arts community whose collaborative practice reflects the dynamic personality of Durham. Our mission is to expand access to three-dimensional art and share the skills required to make it. All are welcome to take part through hands-on classes, public events, mentorships, and commissions. Liberty Arts believes in community outreach and encourages visionary thinking. Founded in 2001, Liberty Arts serves as an incubator in which artists work together to teach, learn, and inspire. All artists also take on public and private commissions, in addition to exhibiting and selling their work at the Liberty Arts Gallery. Hours: We are open to the public but would need to schedule an appointment to make sure someone is here to meet you. Contact: 919-260-2931, e-mail at (info@libertyartsn.org) or at (www.libertyartsn.org).

North Carolina Central University Museum of Art, 1801 Fayetteville Street, across from the Farrison-Newton Communications Building on the campus of NCCU, Durham. **Ongoing** - Permanent collection focuses on African American art of the 19th & 20th century, including works by Edward Mitchell Bannister, Henry Ossawa Tanner, Romare Bearden, Jacob Lawrence, Elizabeth Catlett, and Norman Lewis. As well as more contemporary works by Sam Gilliam, Richard Hunt, William Artis, and Kerry James Marshall. The museum's annual schedule of activities includes temporary exhibits of works from other museums, various retrospectives, and faculty and student art shows. Hours: Tue.-Fri., 9am-4:30pm & Sun., 1-4pm. Contact: 919/560-6211.

Power Plant Gallery at ATC, 318 Blackwell St Durham. **Ongoing** - The Power Plant Gallery is an off-site extension of the arts at Duke, promoting visual arts engagement with students, faculty and visitors from Durham and beyond. With 1,500 square feet of exhibition space, the gallery is equipped to exhibit a range of media, from photography and painting to video and installation. Featuring a rotating program of work by Duke students, faculty, and visiting scholars, as well as locally, nationally and internationally recognized artists, the gallery is a new and exciting addition to the growing, vibrant Durham art scene. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 10am-4pm & Sat., noon-5pm. Contact: call 919/660-3695 or e-mail at (mfaeda@duke.edu).

Room 100 Gallery, Golden Belt complex, Building 2, room 100, 807 East Main Street, Durham. **Ongoing** - The gallery is committed to promoting the work of emerging local, regional and national contemporary artists. Exhibitions of varying size and theme will be on view throughout the year with openings coinciding with Third Friday Durham. Hours: Mon.-Sat., 10am-7pm and Sun., noon-6pm. Contact: 919/967-7700 or at ([www. goldenbeltarts.com](http://www.goldenbeltarts.com)).

The Nasher Museum of Art, Duke University Central Campus, 2001 Campus Drive, Durham. **Through Dec. 11** - "Inscrutable Objects". This installation brings together sculptures, drawings and photographs that might be hard for most of us to comprehend. They challenge convention and encourage close viewing. Reminiscent of an ancient and official text, Ion Bitzan's Old Document of Ownership is comprised of a vaguely recognizable but invented and indecipherable language. Photographs by Brittany Nelson and Letha Wilson employ experimental techniques to challenge our assumptions of photography. Wilson uses materials such as concrete, which oozes out of the photograph in Tent Rocks, to create unconventional landscapes. Nelson's photographs use digital and analog processes without a camera to make holographic, geometric shapes. Artists often imbue their works with paradox. Christian Marclay's Breathless III, a recorder, and Secret, a record, are found objects modified by the artist so that they no longer function. No one can play music on these objects because of Marclay's simple but irreversible modifications. Colin Quashie and Sanford Biggers also use found objects, combining them with absurdist humor to raise serious questions of identity

and history. These inscrutable objects are filled with subtle social commentary to question how we perceive the world around us. **Through July 15, 2025** - "Art of the Andes". Art of the Andes features ceramics, textiles, metalwork, and carvings produced by cultures across the Andes region, a 4,500-mile-long mountain range on the Pacific Coast of South America. These objects, many on view for the first time, reveal the diverse and sophisticated artmaking techniques through which ancient Andeans expressed ancestral beliefs and personal and political identities. The wall case provides a comparative view of the ceramic production of several prominent Peruvian civilizations, presented chronologically from left to right. From the colorful painted motifs of the Nasca and the sculptural realism of the Moche to the whistling vessels of the Chancay, the ceramics depict both realistic and stylized animals, people, deities, food, and scenes of warfare, performance, and pleasure. **Through July 20, 2025** - "Art of the U.S.: American Stories/American Myths." What comes to mind when you think of the history of the United States? The "discovery" of the continent by European explorers? The American Revolution and founding of the country? Westward expansion, or perhaps the turmoil of the Civil War? This re-installed gallery incorporates historical and contemporary works of art from the United States to tell some of these stories and confront some of these myths. The gallery includes a variety of works to encourage visitors to think about how these narratives shape our understanding and may preserve or counter fallacies of nationhood and democracy. **Ongoing** - The Collection Galleries feature rotating installations of the Nasher Museum's extensive holdings of historical art. Eight galleries, as well as the entrance to Wilson Pavilion, are dedicated to the museum's strengths, which represent a brief history of human creativity from different times and parts of the world. Just beyond the entrance, visitors will find the Incubator, a flexible space for rotating student- and faculty-curated exhibitions. Visitors are invited to return again and again to The Collection Galleries, where Nasher curators continue to refresh the galleries with gems from the collection. The museum's contemporary collection is showcased through rotating exhibitions within a separate pavilion. Works from the contemporary collection create new conversations and connections among historical works in The Collection Galleries. A breakthrough work by New York artist Fred Wilson from 1990, Colonial Collection, anchors the Arts of Africa Gallery. A painting by Kehinde Wiley is on view in the European Art Gallery. **Ongoing** - Nasher Museum Café and Museum Shop. Admission: Yes, but free to Durham residents, courtesy of "The Herald-Sun" newspaper. Hours: Tue.- Sat., 10am-5pm; Thur. till 9pm; & Sun., noon-5pm. Contact: 919/684-5135 or at (www.nasher.duke.edu).

Edenton

Chowan Arts Council/Your Community Arts Center, 504 S. Broad, Edenton. **Oct. 11 - Nov. 8** - "Sugar & Spice," celebrates the fabulous works of female artists featuring multimedia works by Catherine Agraz, Nora Crouch, Annie Cummins, Sandi Griffin, Kris Iden, Margaret Benton Jones, Jaquelin Perry, Stacy Smith, and Blair Waters. A reception will be held on Oct. 11, beginning at 5pm. **Ongoing** - The Gallery features art from North East NC artists as well as some from within a 5 hour driving radius. You will find our beautiful waterfront location a pleasant destination as well as the fine art that hangs within our walls. Stained glass, pottery, photography, fiber arts, and painting in various media. We have metal art by Jonathan Bowling and Woodrow Slade, various forms of art by Christine Henninger, oils by Jane Perry, wood art by several local artist. You will find your visit to Edenton enjoyable and the Gallery a delight to your artist senses. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 10am-5pm & Sat., 11am-4pm. Contact: 252/482-8005 or at (www.chowanarts.com).

Elizabeth City

Arts of the Albemarle, a regional arts partner serving Pasquotank, Camden and Gates Counties of NC, The Center, 516 East Main Street, (corner of Main & Poindexter Streets), Elizabeth City. **Ongoing** - The Jaquelin Jenkins Gallery and The 516 Gallery, are home to over 250 artists, craftsmen, photographers, potters, fiber artists and jewelers. The AofA at "The Center" hosts solo and shared exhibits once a month followed by opening receptions during Downtown Elizabeth City's First Friday ArtWalk each month, as well as workshops with some of our exhibiting and visiting artists. These workshops are open to members and non-members. Admission: Free. Hours: Mon.-Sat., 10am-5pm. Contact: Katie Murray, Executive Director (kmurray@artsaoa.com) or Barbara Putnam, Gallery Manager (bputnam@artsaoa.com). Both can be reached at 252/338-6455 or at (www.artsaoa.com).

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