

# Brookgreen Gardens in SC

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prestigious Cantor Collections, including nine life-size statues, portraits, full figures, torsos, fragments, and reliefs. Some of Rodin's best-known sculptures are represented such as *Balzac*, figures from *The Burghers of Calais*, and maquettes from *The Gates of Hell*. The title of this exhibition comes from Rodin himself, who said that artwork, "...opens before us an enchanted land of contemplation and dreams."



"Head of Shade with Two Hands" by Auguste Rodin

Auguste Rodin (1840-1917) was a pivotal figure and is to this day celebrated as the greatest sculptor of the 19th century. His work influenced many sculptors in Europe and America and his students carried forward his beliefs in sculpture into the 20th century. Most well-known for his sculpture *The Thinker*, housed in the Rodin Museum in Paris, Rodin created many iconic works that altered the way traditional sculpture was perceived and set the stage for many modern sculptors to come.

This exhibition has been organized and made possible by the Iris and B. Gerald



"Study of Torso of the Walking Man" by Auguste Rodin

Cantor Foundation.

Brookgreen Gardens, a National Historic Landmark and 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, is located on US 17 between Murrells Inlet and Pawleys Island, on South Carolina's Hammock Coast, and is open to the public daily. Founded in 1931 by Anna Hyatt Huntington and Archer Huntington, Brookgreen is home to the largest and most significant collection of American Figurative Sculpture in the country and is a leader in sculpture conservation, environmental conservation and the protection of the plants, animals and history of the South Carolina Lowcountry.

For further information check our SC Institutional Gallery listings, call 843/235-6000 or visit ([www.brookgreen.org](http://www.brookgreen.org)).

## Sunset River Gallery in Calabash, NC, Offers Exhibit of Local Artists

Sunset River Gallery in Calabash, NC, will present *Local Talent*, featuring works by artists who all reside locally in Brunswick County and New Hanover Counties in North Carolina and Horry County in South Carolina, on view from Feb. 20 through Mar. 25, 2023.

Participating artists include: Roseann Bellinger, Ortrud Tyer, Georgia Dalzell, Linda Young, Tonda Jeffcoat, Nancy Brennard, Judi Moore, Ginny Lassiter, Rachel Sunnell, Vicki Neilon, Nancy Guiry, Linda Karaskevics, Linda Hester, Beryl Kirkpatrick, Betsy Parker, Jan Igoe, Barbara Karkut, Kim Kirk, Gary Baird, and Donn McCrary.

The gallery's artistic director, Samantha Spalti said, "We have so many really talented local artists who show in the gallery, we wanted to celebrate them. In this show, you'll see two-dimensional paintings in acrylic, watercolor and oil as well as 3D clay sculptures and pottery. I'm excited for our visitors to see and enjoy them as I do."



Work by Ginny Lassiter

Located in coastal Brunswick County, Sunset River Gallery caters to both area visitors and a growing local community of full-time residents seeking fine art for their homes and businesses. Featuring work by North and South Carolina artists, the gallery is well known in the area for its collection of oil paintings, watermedia, pastels, photography, hand-blown glass, fused glass, pottery, and clay sculptures, turned and carved



Works by Betsy Parker

wood, unique home décor items and artisan jewelry.

There are two onsite kilns and five wheels used by the gallery's pottery students. Art classes and workshops are currently being offered on a limited basis. A recent 20th Century Art installation features rare and valuable fine and modern art, primarily impressionist and abstract. Artists represented include Wolf Kahn, Emile Gruppè, Angel Botello, Raimonds Staprans, Ed Mell, Vladimir Cora, Moses Soyer, Raphael Soyer, Tadashi Asoma, Hunt Slonem, Ida Kohlmeyer, Rolph Scarlett, Jean Xceron, folk artist Mose Tolliver, and sculptor Glenna Goodacre.

The gallery is located on Beach Drive SW, Calabash, NC 28467.

The FrameCenter, located within the gallery. Call framer Louis Aliotta directly at 910/368-7351 for hours and info.

For further information check our NC Commercial Gallery listings, call the gallery at 910/575-5999 or visit the website at ([www.sunsetrivermarketplace.com](http://www.sunsetrivermarketplace.com)). Daily updates are available on the gallery's Facebook and Instagram pages.

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"Black River Cypress" by Jay DeChesere

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## Art in Bloom in Wilmington, NC, Features Works by Mark Gansor and Gale Smith

Art in Bloom in Wilmington, NC, is presenting *Bold and Bright: New Work by Mark Gansor & Gale Smith*, on view through Feb. 26, 2023.

Gansor is a landscape painter using impasto surfaces to capture fleeting moments caught in the light. His works are playful and full of color! Complimenting his paintings are the sculptural metal works by mixed media artist Gale Smith. His work in this exhibit is about the transformation of sheets of copper into complex assemblages that create a distinctive visual impact while allowing the intrinsic beauty of the metal to shine through. Vibrant colors dance across the copper pieces and create abstract geometrical shapes. These intricate works contain rich textures and reveal extraordinary manifestations of color and formations.

Mark Gansor is a native of Pittsburgh, PA. Out of several decades of work as a decorative finisher and classical musician, Gansor's career as a painter was born. Entirely self-taught he is now secure enough to tell people that he is an artist. He works in acrylics thickly applied to the canvas with knives, fingers, and occasionally brushes. Since moving to Wilmington five years ago he has been caught up in the artistic vibe of the city, and the historical structures, nature, and the downtown all figure in his work. He has painted or restored original work in several structures on the National Registry which have added to his love of all things old or unusual. The beautiful old churches speak to him, bringing his love of sacred music and the pipe organ back time and time again.

For several years Gansor has been painting works on canvas and hopes that this can be his career in retirement. His work is available at Art in Bloom Gallery. He has also recently become Director of Music Ministries at St Andrews Covenant Presbyterian Church in downtown Wilmington.



Work by Gale Smith

Having studied at UNC Chapel Hill, Gale Smith considers painting as an ongoing study. She has found a new interest in working with copper. As a plein air painter, she began using copper panels as her canvas and loved how the copper made her colors warm and vibrant. She experimented with different gauges of copper and mediums and discovered that inks and oils on copper made colors radiate vibrantly.

Never quite sure where the colors and copper will take her, Smith paints, cuts and weaves two abstract paintings together to create a dimensional piece of art. The soft gentle curves that she cuts into the copper, allows her to form the piece into soothing and thought provoking structural designs. It is her desire that the viewer will experience a personal interaction with her art. Often, she writes small quotes, prayers or poems that relate to the piece of work on the back

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