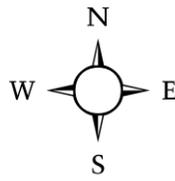
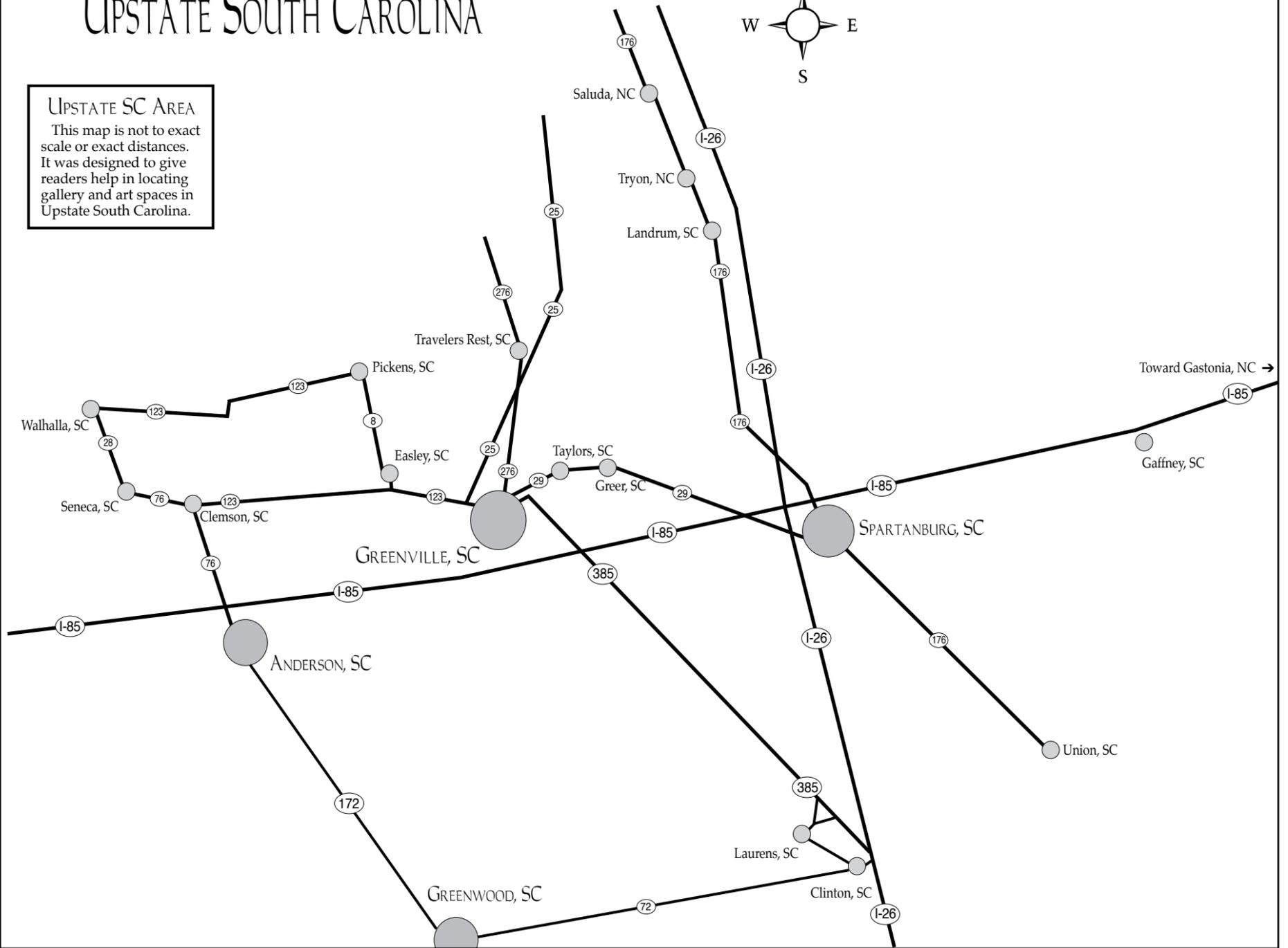


# UPSTATE SOUTH CAROLINA



## UPSTATE SC AREA

This map is not to exact scale or exact distances. It was designed to give readers help in locating gallery and art spaces in Upstate South Carolina.



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Gunter attributes her interest in landscape to her rural upbringing in Horry County, SC.

Most of the upstate artists in her collection are included in the 2011 Hub City Press publication, *Artists among Us: 100 Faces of Art in Spartanburg*. Gunter's pieces are not limited to paintings. She also collects drawings, prints, mixed media, and photographs. Although the bulk of her collection is two-dimensional, she has several three-dimensional works, particularly ceramics.

Gunter's oldest pieces are circa 1918 by Aiken artist, George Hammond, a Clemson classmate and friend of Gunter's grandfather. Her first purchased art work was by Gaffney native Leroy Marshall who had a one-man show at the Spartanburg Arts Center in the late 1980's. More contemporary artists include her former Limestone College art teachers, Sara Dame Setzer and James A. Cox. Her most recent acquisition is a piece by Robert Urban with whom she taught at Dorman High School. Of special note is a print by Boyd Sanders, a well-known printmaking professor at Columbia's University of South Carolina.

Another fairly recent acquisition is a work by Converse College printmaker Andrew Blanchard who has been receiving national recognition. Upstate artists Steve Stinson, Scott Cunningham, Geri Hurlbut, Teresa Prater, Caren Stancell, David Zacharias, Carol Augthun, Doris Turner, and Suzanne Zoole are among the many artists represented in her collection.

A native South Carolinian, Dr. Susanne Gunter has been active in the field of arts and education for over 30 years. She received her BA in Studio Art from Limestone College, her masters in Art Education from the University of South Carolina, and her doctorate in Curriculum and Instruction - Art Education from the University of South Carolina. Gunter is Chair of the Converse College Department of Art and Design. With teaching



The art work is by Doris Turner entitled "Landscape."

and administrative experience at all levels, she teaches courses in the Education Department and the Art Education Program.

As a classroom art teacher for 21 years, Dr. Gunter received numerous awards including Limestone College's Alumni Award for Contributions to Education, Union High School Teacher of the Year, Union County Teacher of the Year, Dorman High School Teacher of the Year, SC Art Education Association Secondary Art Teacher of the Year, SC Higher Education Level Art Educator of the Year, and SC Art Education Association Art Educator of the Year.

Gunter has authored a number of publications on the history of education and art education and presented her research at state and national levels. She is historian for the South Carolina Education Association and the South Carolina Art Education Association.

As a practicing artist, Dr. Gunter exhibits locally and regionally. A member of several area guilds and arts councils, she currently serves on the board of the Children's Advocacy Center of Spartanburg, Cherokee, and Union Counties and is an art consultant to several schools and districts.

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