



February and March - Terry Ratchford - Watercolor and Pencil

Terry is a self-taught watercolor and colored pencil artist, from southern Gaston County NC, where she lives with her husband on farm land that has been in his family for seven generations. Terry's art is inspired by objects experienced and seen around her every day. Her work is an opportunity to revisit the childlike joy of being surprised. If a viewer stops for just a moment to view and reflect on a piece she has created, then she feels she has succeeded in her work.

April and May - Tina Sclarandis and Dianne Kolb - Quilts

Tina Sclarandis' and Dianne Kolb's love of quilting manifested itself over the years of grandmother- hood.

The finished quilts displayed represent many hours of work with loving thoughts of family. This is them

leaving a legacy for their families to cherish.

June and July - Marx Myth - Illustration and Digital Art

Drawing has always been his medium of choice, but he also paints with acrylics. Since the early 1990's he has worked with computer art and still does private tutoring using Adobe software. Marx has retired from a career in higher education, where his focus was on art and design. Marx and his wife have recently returned to his childhood home, here in Burke county, where he looks forward to becoming more engaged in the local arts community.

August and September - Stephen Fox - Digital Art

While a GIS Analyst by trade, Stephen Fox is also an accomplished graphic designer, with particular expertise in photo manipulation. From 2003 to 2007, Stephen regularly entered competitions on one of the most popular websites for hosting "Photoshop contests". He eventually became the top performing artist in the history of that site and also won a major Photoshop contest on IMDB.com during that period. His works range from humorous to serious to simply a pure exhibition of the skill of manipulating the pixels of the required source imagery.

October and November - Western North Carolina Sculpture Center - Aluminum Pour

The Western North Carolina Sculpture Center will be presenting a wide range of sculptural and wall works from its affiliate sculptors. The exhibition will include cast iron, steel fabrication, stone, cast bronze as well as other mixed media sculptures and wall works. An aluminum pour demonstration is also in the works, one evening during this show time.

December and January - Andrew Atkin - Painting

Andrew has been a practicing visual artist for the past 48 years and continues to create acrylic paintings of various subjects ranging from abstracts to landscapes and skyscapes out of his home, Tilted Moon Fine Arts Studio, near Granite Falls, NC. He has 35 years of teaching experience and is currently an instructor in the visual arts at University Christian High School in Hickory. He also teaches an art class for our area military veterans through the Caldwell Arts Council in the HUB center in Hudson.