

## The New Asheville Art Museum IT'S HAPPENING!

**Join us for a kickoff celebration!**

JANUARY 25 — Monday, 4:30 – 6:30 p.m.

We are launching our major construction in sparkling style and we'd love for you to join us! At this exciting milestone event, we'll share what's happening and over the coming months we'll invite your input. Together we will make the Asheville Art Museum **New** and invite you to make it **Yours**. This will be an event that marks the launch of many great things to come for the Museum and the WNC community.

It's an exciting time. We are thrilled that work is underway to create the new Asheville Art Museum. In January 2016, you will notice scaffolding with colorful banners and active construction work taking place. We will complete necessary facility improvements, as well as exterior preservation and interior renovation of the Museum's North Wing to restore the 1926 historic Library building's façade and prepare for an interim education center. Throughout 2016, construction progress will accelerate and we will be keeping you up-to-date on all the activity. 2018 will mark the completion of construction and the opening of a 21st century museum that will be the new jewel in Asheville's crown.

We invite you to tune in to the transformation! Come to a listening session and tell us how you see the future Museum. Continue to be inspired and transformed by art throughout the construction period with a robust schedule of Museum exhibitions and programs both on-site and off-site in partnership with an array of community partners throughout WNC. We will be sharing a behind-the-scenes look at the Museum's collections as part of the ***Vault Visible*** exhibition and program series. Education programs for all ages will continue to provide great art and great experiences. Museum members will have opportunities to enjoy exhibitions, artist talks, workshops, lectures, film screenings, special members-only events and more.

Because of all of these exciting changes, we have altered the format of our membership publication, *Profile*, into a smaller, more concise layout that covers two months instead of four. *Profile* will still provide you with the important information you seek: full listings of upcoming exhibitions, programs and events. More detailed descriptions can be found on our website: [www.ashevilleart.org](http://www.ashevilleart.org).

And if you haven't already subscribed, we encourage you to sign up at [www.ashevilleart.org/connect/](http://www.ashevilleart.org/connect/) for our weekly e-newsletter.

We'll be busier than ever over the next few years and invite you to get involved.

**Make It New. Make It Yours.**

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**Asheville Art Museum**  
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**Museum Hours**  
Tues. – Sat. 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.  
Sun. 1:00 – 5:00 p.m.  
Closed Thanksgiving, Christmas  
and New Year's Day.

**General Admission**  
Adults \$8 + sales tax.  
Students and Seniors \$7 + sales tax.  
Please call for group tour information.  
**For information call 828.253.3227**  
mailbox@ashevilleart.org  
www.ashevilleart.org

## Toast Asheville

FEBRUARY 25 — Thursday, 5:30 – 8:30 p.m.

members \$30, non-members \$35

\$40 at the door

On this festive evening, music will fill the Museum's halls as guests sip the region's delicious beer, wine and spirits and sample tastes from local chefs and eateries. A silent auction will feature art, gift packages and items from local distributors, wineries and breweries. Reserve your ticket by visiting [www.ashevilleart.org](http://www.ashevilleart.org) or by calling the Museum at 828.253.3227.

## Shop News

### JANUARY

Bundle up with a hand-sewn hat and knitted scarf made by local artists. Winter scarves, mittens and hats are 20% off for Museum members during January.

### FEBRUARY

Surprise your valentine with a one-of-a-kind gift crafted by local artists. Members receive 20% off one item in February by presenting this issue of *Profile*.



**MAKE IT NEW**  
**MAKE IT YOURS**

**Asheville Art Museum**



Exhibitions

North Wing

*Selections from the Permanent Collection:  
140 Years of American Art*  
ONGOING | Second Floor Galleries  
*Collectors’ Circle: Celebrating Recent Gifts*  
THROUGH FEBRUARY 14, 2016 | Appleby Foundation Gallery

The Museum regularly rotates the works on view from its Permanent Collection. *140 Years of American Art* is curated from a chronological point of view and follows the evolution of American art from the late 19th century to the early 21st century. *Collectors’ Circle: Celebrating Recent Gifts* features gifts of art made in recent years by the Museum’s Collectors’ Circle.

*WNC Regional Scholastic Art Awards*  
JANUARY 30 – MARCH 6, 2016 | Holden Community Gallery

With the assistance of its volunteer docents and support from the Asheville Area Section of the American Institute of Architects and the Center for Craft, Creativity & Design, the Museum is proud to sponsor the annual Western North Carolina Regional Scholastic Art Awards, which includes art work from students in grades 7–12 from all across our region.

*Appalachian Innovators:  
Women Makers in the Southern Highland Craft Guild, 1930–2000*  
FEBRUARY 6 – LATE JUNE, 2016 | Gallery Six

This exhibition highlights female Southern Highland Craft Guild Members from 1930 to 2000. Supported by Blue Ridge National Heritage Area.

East Wing

*Vault Visible: Behind the Scenes at the Asheville Art Museum*  
JANUARY 16 – MAY, 2016 | Main Level

In this exhibition, visitors will get a glimpse into the day-to-day activities of the Museum’s curatorial department — the chance to observe museum professionals at work in the galleries as they carry out an inventory of the Permanent Collection, photograph objects, assemble crates, and perform conservation treatments, all in the public eye. Supported by Midgard Foundation.

Installations

The Museum has two site-specific installations in the East Wing: *Creating Place: Wall Drawing #618*, one of the more than 600 wall drawings conceived by the artist Sol LeWitt; and *Community* — an installation by artist Sharon Louden which visually serves as a community of forms interacting with each other.

TOP: Kate Clayton (Granny) Donaldson, *Cow Blanket* (detail), c. 1930, wool, 35 x 31 inches. Courtesy of Southern Highland Craft Guild.

FROM LEFT: Jane Glass, *Bowl*, c. 1948, enamel, copper, silver foil, 1 x 8 inches. Courtesy of Southern Highland Craft Guild.

Museum curatorial staff members unpack objects for the *Vault Visible* exhibition.



Public Programs

Listening Sessions

JANUARY 6 — Downtown Neighbors  
FEBRUARY 3 — Museum Members  
MARCH 2 — Educators  
(K-12, college + university)

The Museum is offering listening sessions on our **Free First Wednesday** afternoons in January, February and March to give us the chance to hear from our community as we undergo construction and prepare for our grand reopening in 2018.

We are offering extended hours for these **First Wednesday!** Free admission from 3:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Art Breaks

Selected Fridays — 12:00 p.m.  
Free with membership  
or Museum admission

JANUARY 8  
**Somewhere Between Here  
and There: Cathryn Griffin**

JANUARY 15  
**William Wegman:  
Cubism and Other-isms**

FEBRUARY 12  
**2016 WNC Regional  
Scholastic Art Awards**

FEBRUARY 26  
**Make It Speak:  
Stories from the Vault**

Classes + Workshops

Saturdays — 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.  
JANUARY 23, 30, FEBRUARY 6 + 13

**The Power of Art and Writing**  
Stefanie Wielkopolan, Instructor  
\$80 members, \$100 non-members  
FEBRUARY 20 — Saturday, 10:00 a.m.  
Series held on Selected Saturdays  
**Make It Last**

Join us for a series of workshops held in conjunction with *Vault Visible*. Visit [www.ashevilleart.org](http://www.ashevilleart.org) for details.

members \$20 for one, \$55 for three  
or \$90 for all five workshops  
non-members \$30 for one, \$85 for three  
or \$140 for all five workshops

Discussion Bound Book Club

Second Tuesdays, 12:00 p.m.  
Free with membership  
or Museum admission

JANUARY 12  
**Seven Days in the Art World**  
by Sarah Thornton  
FEBRUARY 9  
**Museum: Behind the Scenes at  
the Metropolitan Museum of Art**  
by Danny Danziger

Concert

FEBRUARY 7 — Sunday, 3:00 p.m.  
**Pianoforte with Michael Jefry  
Stevens + Deborah Belcher**  
members \$8 + tax (\$7 children)  
non-members \$16 + tax (\$15 children)  
(includes Museum admission)

Up for Discussion Lectures

FEBRUARY 13 — Saturday, 2:00 p.m.  
**Make It Shine**  
A conversation on conservation.  
Free with membership  
or Museum admission  
FEBRUARY 20 — Saturday, 5:00 p.m.  
**Artists Make a Difference:  
The Creative Spark that  
Transformed Old Charleston**  
\$25 Museum members  
\$30 non-members  
(includes Museum admission)



FROM LEFT: Summer Art Camp 2015  
William Wegman Exhibition

School + Family Programs

Home School Program

FEBRUARY 9 — Tuesday, 11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.  
For students Grades 1 – 4 — \$4 per Student per Session

Scholastic Art Awards Ceremony

FEBRUARY 21 — Sunday, 2:00 p.m.  
Diana Wortham Theatre — Free Admission

Summer Art Camp

Mark your calendars to join us for Summer Art Camp 2016! The Museum offers a range of camps for rising K–12th graders throughout June and July. Full and half-day week long options allow campers to choose from sessions exploring drawing, painting, cartooning, sculpture and much more. Contact Sharon McRorie for more information at 828.253.3227, ext. 124.

Tot Time

JANUARY 19 + FEBRUARY 16 — Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m.  
For pre-school aged students accompanied by an adult  
Free for members, non-members with Museum admission  
(Children under 5 always free)



Membership

Members are the lifeblood of the Museum family. Membership revenue provides vital support for the Museum’s educational programs and exhibitions and grants you free or discounted access to exhibitions, a wide variety of programs and events, and discounts in the Museum Shop. For information on joining the Museum as a member, please contact [lbaker@ashevilleart.org](mailto:lbaker@ashevilleart.org).

Museum Support

The Museum couldn’t do what it does without its generous supporters. For a list of the individuals, organizations and companies who supported the Museum through In-Kind Donations; Gifts and Grants; Annual Fund; and Tributes from July 1 through November 30, 2015, please visit [www.ashevilleart.org/supporters](http://www.ashevilleart.org/supporters).

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