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Congaree Art Festival
Returns for 8th Year

Columbia, S.C. --- See contemporary art from more than 20 South Carolina artists come alive at the South Carolina State Museum's eighth annual Congaree Art Festival, presented in conjunction with Artista Vista on Saturday, April 24 from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

This year's festival will feature jewelry, pine needle baskets, oil and watercolor paintings, photography, hand-thrown pottery and much, much more. Displayed art will be available for purchase at a variety of prices.

“The Congaree Art Festival provides a wonderful opportunity for a large number of South Carolina's visual artists to have their work seen and potentially purchased by a growing audience of art collectors,” said Paul Matheny, curator of art. “It also provides a unique opportunity for the public to interact directly with artists and find out the story behind the artists and their work.”

Other activities for the day include family arts and crafts and docent-led tours of the new exhibit *Palmetto Portraits: Images by Contemporary Photographers*. Snacks

and drinks will be available for sale. Artists will display their work on the Museum's front lawn, but will be moved inside in case of rain.

For more information, call Public Programs at 803-898-4952 or visit www.southcarolinastatemuseum.org.

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CUTLINE FOR CONGAREE ART FESTIVAL

A wide variety of artists will display their works, some will create art, and discuss their art with visitors to the South Carolina State Museum's eighth annual Congaree Art Festival on April 24. Visitors may purchase art from paintings, pottery, mosaic art and much more.

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