



Russ Harris

Russ Harris, a United Methodist pastor, serving churches in Tennessee and Ohio. His career has also included working as an antique dealer, specializing in American antique pottery, and now working as a full-time studio potter. He is the official potter for Lake Junaluska Conference and Retreat Center.

He teaches pottery and ceramic classes at Mid-South Ceramics. In Tennessee. Russ has also taught pottery classes at the Appalachian Center for Crafts and at Vanderbilt University. His pottery is shown nationally and is held in many private collections. Russ's Lake Silt pottery is for sale in both of the Junaluska SEJ Stores. Russ lives and works in Nashville and Lake Junaluska.

Grace Cathey

Grace Cathey's work has been evolving over 20 years from fiber, to works on paper, to metal sculpture. Her passion to create has been constant. Her inspiration comes from the flora and fauna that surround her home, tucked into a deep cove in the Western North Carolina Mountains. Her daily experiences with the beauty of nature around her are translated into her metal sculpture, which expresses her quality of life. In each work, a bit of her spirit is cut deep into the steel. Grace's metal work can be seen in the lobby of the Bethea Welcome Center at Lake Junaluska.



Ed Kelley

Ed Kelley is an artist from Waynesville, N.C. "As an amateur journalist, writer, I enjoy writing about my experiences in the mountains, and often illustrating them with my photos". Ed takes pictures and plays music and wife Jo is an accomplished watercolorist and oil painter. Their gallery is Ridge Runner Naturals in Downtown Waynesville.

Sylvia Everett

Sylvia is a well known Waynesville artist, particularly respected for her liturgical art. Sylvia has received numerous calls for commissioned pieces. In 2007 and 2008 she created the colorful expressions located in the new Bethea Welcome Center at Lake Junaluska - "The Song of Justice", and a Cross sculpture/collage made of salvaged pieces/shards from Katrina debris found along the Gulf Coast.



Ashley Calhoun

The Arts have been an integral part of his ministry from the beginning. For the past twenty-one years, Ashley has been creating worship backdrops and altar settings for Stuart Auditorium for use during the Holston Conference sessions as well as for Music and Worship Arts Week, SE J Conference sessions, Upper Room Prayer and Bible Conference, and Summer worship at Lake Junaluska. His work will be on display in the main Lobby of the Terrace Hotel. Ashley is a retired United Methodist Elder in the Holston Conference and is a local resident.

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American Artist — Howard Chandler Christy
(1873-1952)

“Jesus Giving the Great Commission”



During the World Methodist Museum open house in February 2008, the Christy painting was presented for viewing for the first time since its recent and extensive restoration. The Rev. Lavere Webster, Acquisitions Chairperson for the museum restored the painting. Howard Chandler Christy's “Jesus Giving the Great Commission” is the only painting in the world that adequately depicts this momentous scene. The Christy painting is in the Lake Junaluska permanent collection and is currently on display in the main Lobby of the Terrace Hotel.

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Lake Junaluska Ministry Events has established a new initiative which will bring the arts and artists – both performing and fine arts – to the Lake Junaluska campus. Through performance and exhibition, the Lake Junaluska Community and guests will have the rich experience of encountering artists and their creativity in intimate settings as well as occasional program gatherings.

In addition ART & SOUL also includes a continuing education and event partnership component with arts agencies and individual “artists in residence” to explore the soul of human creativity, the entrepreneurial dimensions of “public” art – in gallery presentations, hands-on **Learning and Leadership Events**, as well as the opportunity to purchase original works of art benefiting both the artist and Lake Junaluska.

ART & SOUL Partnerships are already underway with Haywood Community College's Professional Arts & Crafts Department, and the Nashville-based Scarritt-Bennett Center's Liturgical Design Institute, as well as some of the artists illustrated in this introductory brochure.

*“The arts give meaning to life by imagining and re-imagining slices of life –slices which give the viewer/participants the means or “tool” for making sense of life and existence in the world – beauty, sorrow, loss, joy, injustice, relationships, etc. The arts and artistic expression come from deep within the mind’s “eye and ear” – within the human spirit**, the place where creativity and imagination and self-expression live. The arts draw the viewer/participant inward for reflection and contemplation, and outward to build a cultural or universal context for finding meaning or deeper understanding of the human nature and condition.”*

Roger Dowdy – ART & SOUL Initiative, Lake Junaluska

For more information about ART & SOUL Partnerships, performances possibilities, or gallery exhibition, contact Roger Dowdy in the Event Development Office:
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The Vision of Isaiah

In the year King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord. He was sitting on a lofty throne, and the train of his robe filled the Temple.



Luke Allsbrook, Artist

Luke Allsbrook, local artist in Waynesville and Asheville, received a BFA in Painting from Indiana University (Bloomington) and an MFA (cum laude) from The New York Academy of Art. His work has been exhibited in galleries and museums throughout the US and is included in the Forbes collection, The US Department of State, and in the collection of His Royal Highness, The Prince of Wales. Mr. Allsbrook served as official tour artist for The Prince on his 2005 state tour of the United States. The recipient of the Elizabeth Greenshields Foundations Grant and two-time Posey Scholar, he has taught drawing and painting at the New York Academy of Art, The Lyme Academy of Art, William Paterson University, UNC-Asheville, and in Italy with the University of Georgia Cortona Program. His works may be viewed at www.lukeallsbrook.com.

“The Vision of Isaiah” – Luke Allsbrook, artist, can be viewed in the upper lobby of the Terrace Hotel. An interpretive card about the work is available in the lobby. Inquiries about the painting and its availability for purchase should be directed to the artist.

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