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Quick Facts

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Studio Series: Autumn Symphony



Marge Moody

COLUMBIA, S.C. – The **City Art Gallery** in Columbia, S.C., will present a new exhibition this week celebrating the 30 years of work in the United States by Winthrop faculty member **Marge Moody**.

The exhibition is a 30-year retrospective called "Made in America -1983- 2013."

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Moody said that her work is inspired by her experience of places, distant, close to home and from her imagination. She decided to mark her 30 years living in the United States with a series of exhibitions devoted to celebration and reflection.

"The work in this show, the first of several in the Eastern U.S. and Europe, is a selection of work completed over the past 30 years," Moody said of her abstract paintings on canvas and mixed media pieces.

Born of British parents and raised in Kenya, East Africa, Moody moved to Scotland at age 14, where she completed her formal education. She earned an Honors Degree from **Duncan of Jordanstone College of Art** at Dundee and then gained her Certificate of Secondary School Teaching in Art from **Moray House College of Education** in Edinburgh. From 1973 to 1982, Moody worked and lived in Edinburgh as a professional artist.

Now an associate professor of art at Winthrop, Moody has been featured in numerous solo and mixed exhibits throughout the United States, including New York City, Washington, D.C. and the Carolinas. Her work is included in many permanent public and private collections, including the **South Carolina State Art Collection**, **MUSC's Carolina Contemporary Collection** at Ashley Tower and was recently on display in the S.C. State Museum's Abstract Art in South Carolina: 1949 – 2012 exhibition.

Throughout 2013 Moody's work will be featured in four solo exhibitions - in Columbia, Charlotte,

Chicago and Dundee, Scotland. Others are planned in Portugal and England in 2014.

Over the years, she has received several awards for her work. From Winthrop University, she has been the recipient of research grants and endowment awards. Her dedication to art has earned three Regional Artists Project Grants from [Charlotte-Mecklenburg Arts & Science Council](#), N.C.

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