# THE MINT MUSEUM

ANNUAL REPORT 2021-2022



# **MISSION**

The Mint Museum welcomes all to be inspired and transformed through the power of art and creativity.

# **VISION**

The Mint Museum seeks to continuously enhance lives and create a more empathetic world by ensuring access and by engaging communities in a meaningful, lifelong relationship with art and design.

COVER IMAGE: Tom Price (British, 1973–). *Synthesis X* (detail), 2016, resin, tar, steel, and LEDs. Gift of Laura B. and Michael F. Grace. 2016.52a–d

# EXHIBITIONS



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IMAGE: John Leslie Breck (American, 1860–99). The Bay at Venice (detail), 1897, oil on canvas, 32 x 45 icnhes. Private Collection



# John Leslie Breck: American Impressionist

September 28, 2021-January 2, 2022

Inspired by The Mint Museum's 2016 acquisition of John Leslie Breck's canvas *Suzanne Hoschedé-Monet Sewing*, this was the first-ever retrospective of Breck's beautiful Impressionist paintings. Curated by the Mint's Senior Curator of American Art Jonathan Stuhlman, PhD, this important exhibition included approximately 70 of Breck's finest works, drawn from public and private collections as well as the illustrious Terra Foundation collection of American art. Many of the works in the exhibition had not been on public view in more than a century, if ever. It also featured related paintings by his French and American Impressionist colleagues, including Theodore Robinson, Willard Metcalf, Lila Cabot Perry, Dennis Miller Bunker, and Claude Monet, which provided important art historical context for Breck's work.

The project had the support of the artist's descendants and was funded in part by a grant from the Mr. and Mrs. Raymond J. Horowitz Foundation for the Arts. After debuting at The Mint Museum, it traveled to the Dixon Gallery and Gardens in the winter of 2022, and the Figge Art Museum in the spring of 2022.

Funding for this exhibition is provided by Bank of America, The Mint Museum Auxiliary, and The Mr. and Mrs. Raymond J. Horowitz Foundation for the Arts.







# Continuing Conversations: Yesterday and Today

December 23, 2021-June 5, 2022

Continuing Conversations: Yesterday and Today paired works by contemporary artists with traditional craft or decorative works to explore how simple household objects embody cultural histories that continue to define social structures today.

The pairings and references were as varied as the media, but the consistent theme was personal identity as defined by society.

Of the more than 50 works on view in the installation, 39 were from the Mint's permanent collection, and 13 were objects on loan or new acquisitions, including works by Charlotte-based artists de'Angelo Dia, MyLoan Dinh, Julio Gonzalez, Nadia Meadows, and Lydia Thompson.





# The World of Anna Sui

November 20, 2021-May 1, 2022

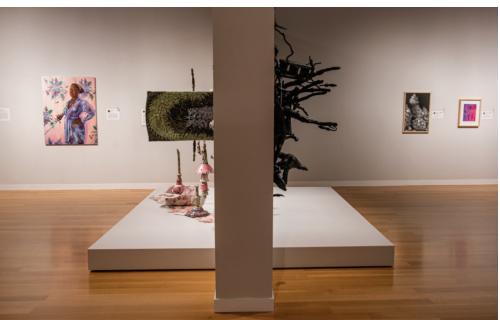
The World of Anna Sui featured 100 looks from the iconic designer's archive with a roll call of 12 archetypes that capture the Sui aesthetic. Designs represented the groundbreaking ingenuity of the world-renowned, aligning with The Mint Museum's strategic vision to highlight artists that exhibit integrity, inclusiveness, innovation, and diversity. In a field traditionally dominated by males, Sui has shattered the glass ceiling as one of the few female fashion designers who still owns her own company.

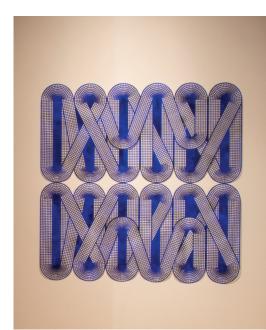
Organized by the Fashion and Textile Museum, London, and curated by Dennis Northrup, the first iteration of this exhibition debuted at the Fashion and Textile Museum, London, in the summer of 2017. *The World of Anna Sui* exhibition was accompanied by a lavishly illustrated book by fashion historian Tim Banks.

The World of Anna Sui was generously presented by PNC Financial Services. Exhibition Organized by The Fashion and Textile Museum, London. Generous individual support provided by Deidre and Clay Grubb. Additional generous individual support provided by Posey and Mark Mealy, Celene and Marc Oken, Kati and Chris Small, Ann and Michael Tarwater, Rocky and Chris Trenklebach, the Fashion Task Force, and friends of fashion. Media partners include Peachy The Magazine and SouthPark magazine.









# Coined in the South

March 26-July 3, 2022

Coined in the South was a major juried exhibition at Mint Museum Uptown that showcased some of the most innovative and emerging artists in the Southeast. Nearly 2,000 works of art were submitted for consideration; 65 were selected, and \$16,000 in cash prizes was awarded. The artists ranged in age from 23 to 82, hailing from North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Tennessee, and Virginia.

Organized in partnership with the Young Affiliates of the Mint, the purpose of the exhibition was to bridge the gap between the museum, gallery and studio, and to present fresh and innovative works that have not yet been seen by a broader audience. Unconfined to any aesthetic, the works of art were made from materials ranging from the traditional (oil on canvas and collage) to the decidedly untraditional.



# Craft in the Laboratory: The Science of Making Things

Opened May 21, 2022

Craft in the Laboratory: The Science of Making Things is the first museum project in the Southeast to examine how craft artists and designers apply scientific and mathematical concepts in creating work, and reveal parallel approaches to problem-solving among these makers and professionals in STEM fields (science, technology, engineering and mathematics). The acronym STEAM, which inserts art among the four other fields, emphases how they all intersect and reflects educators' and arts professionals' assertion of their equal importance in K-12 and college education.

Craft in the Lab is also the theme of the first re-installation of the Craft + Design Galleries since they opened in 2010 at Mint Museum Uptown.

Co-curated by the Mint's Senior Curator of Craft, Design, and Fashion Annie Carlano and Assistant Curator for Craft, Design, and Fashion Rebecca Elliot, *Craft in the Laboratory* includes 100 works from the Mint's collection that emphasize the preciseness of science used to craft works of art. Made by nationally and internationally renowned artists, the objects are organized by material and subject throughout the galleries.

Recent acquisitions in the exhibition include *She Holds the Key* by artist Simone Elizabeth Saunders, *Nyala Chair* by Jomo Tariku, and *Rainbow Chair* by designer Patrick Norguet. Other works in the installation include artist Kate Malone's stoneware vessels with crystalline glazes *Mr. And Mrs. Tutti Atomic*; artist Brent Kington's forged and welded *Weathervane*; artist Susan Point's carved and painted red cedar work *Salmon Spawn Running*; and designer Laura Kishimoto's *Yumi Chair II* made of wood veneer and steel.

Craft in the Laboratory: The Science of Making Things is presented by Müller Corporation and the Craft and Trade Academy.







# Constellation CLT

# Ongoing

Constellation CLT is an exhibition series designed to connect visitors to The Mint Museum with local artists and to activate the public spaces of the museum. Installations rotate three times per calendar year and can be seen in four places at Mint Museum Uptown: in the entrance; at the foot of the Morrison Atrium escalator; and on the landings of the Mezzanine and Level 4.

Andrew Leventis, Intergalactic Soul (artists Marcus Kiser, Quentin Talley, Jason Woodberry), and Lydia Thompson were featured artists in fiscal year 2022.

Constellation CLT is generously supported by the National Endowment for the Arts.





# **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

# GRIER HEIGHTS COMMUNITY YOUTH ARTS PROGRAM

The Grier Heights Community Youth Arts Program remained relevant and strong supporting children in the Grier Heights community. More than 550 youths have been impacted through the program that connects them with literature, storytelling, works of art and artists, craft and design activities, history and art. For 32 weeks, participants engaged with local artists, artist-educators, volunteers, and community partners to develop self-esteem, mutual respect, determination, resiliency, and to learn through mindfulness, celebrating cultures while enjoying the visual and performing arts in Charlotte and other North Carolina cities.

## WEDNESDAY NIGHT LIVE

Wednesday Night Live, presented by Bank of America, continued to shine a spotlight on Charlotte's dynamic arts community with a feature lineup that included provocative films, artist talks, and performances by local arts partners one Wednesday each month at Mint Museum Uptown. Wednesday Night Live included free admission to Bechtler Museum of Modern Art, Harvey B. Gantt Center for African-American Arts + Culture, Knight Theater, and Mint Museum Uptown 5-9 PM every Wednesday, as well as live entertainment or programming each week at one of the four institutions.

## PARTY IN THE PARK

The monthly outdoor event series Party in the Park, presented by Truist, continued through November 2021 at Mint Museum Randolph. Each

event included live music on the front terrace, a family friendly art activity, food trucks, and a cash bar, as well as complimentary museum admission the last Sunday of each month.

## **MINT 2 MOVE**

Mint 2 Move, the bi-monthly drop-in event that presents varied cultural themes through artistic and cultural experiences, returned in-person to Mint Museum Uptown on October 23, 2021. Mint 2 Move, which launched in 2012, supports hundreds of musicians, visual and performing artists and groups, Latino and African-rooted groups, and community organizations, including Café Amaretto, C'Leb Entertainment, DJ Carlos Lebron, Fiestas Patrias, UNC Charlotte African Studies and Dance Departments, ArtSí Art Collective, Carolinas LGBT Chamber of Commerce, Latin American Chamber of Commerce of Charlotte, and numerous BIPOC visual artists in the community.

## **BILINGUAL STORIES AND MUSIC**

Facilitated by Community Programs Coordinator Kurma Murrain, in partnership with Charlotte-based teaching artists Criss Cross Mangosauce, Bilingual Stories and Music continued with virtual performances during museum closures due to the Covid 19 pandemic. Each program included multiple instruments and props to help teach children conversational Spanish through music, songs, and instruction.







# **LEARNING AND ENGAGEMENT**

Through robust programming around works in the permanent collection and special exhibitions, visitors of all ages were able to engage and learn through art.

## WILD WEDNESDAYS

In the summer of 2021, Wild Wednesdays continued through a partnership with Mecklenburg County Park and Recreation and Stevens Creek Nature Center. Select Wednesdays through the summer, an "animal ambassador" (corn snake, turtle, or frog) visited Mint Museum Randolph as part of Free Wednesday Evenings to highlight the connection between art, creativity, and the natural world. In the fall of 2021, members of the Learning and Engagement team hosted two family-friendly art activities at Stevens Creek Nature Center again showcasing the connection of art and nature.

## **ART 101: A GLOBAL ADVENTURE**

The art history course ART 101: A Global Adventure launched in February 2022. During the eight-week session, participants engaged in art history classes

with art professors and curators from throughout the region without the stress of homework or exams. The program was presented in partnership with Sphere Series.

## MINDFUL LOOKING

In the spring of 2022, Mindful Looking gallery programs launched. Led by the School & Gallery Team and Mint Docents, visitors engaged with works of art using meditative and close looking practices. The 45-minute monthly sessions allow visitors to dialogue with one another and Mint facilitators and take a restorative pause, with the goal of increasing meaningful contemplation, self-awareness, and encouraging empathy.

## FREE ART KITS

More than 6,000 Free Art Kits were created and shared with elementary and middle school students from Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools through a partnership with Communities in Schools. Kits included materials, basic tools and instructions, and an art print featuring an object

from the museum's collection, as well as conversation prompts. Thousands more Free Mini Art Kits were distributed to visitors to Mint Museum Randolph and at other locations in the community throughout the year.

## **LEWIS FAMILY GALLERY**

Lewis Family Gallery opened in the Spring of 2022 after being closed due to the Covid 19 pandemic. The hands-on space provides a creative environment for all ages to create art, engage in building and puzzle challenges, and step into a Romare Bearden collage.

## SUMMER ART SESSIONS

A pilot program called Summer Art Sessions launched at Mint Museum Randolph in June 2022. Through an impactful, content-driven gallery and studio experience, K-5 students were encouraged to make connections between themselves and the art on view and explore creative expression in the classroom. During this summer enrichment program, the Mint partnered with organizations who serve the community by providing free or affordable summer childcare.

## S.T.A.R. GALLERY

The Student Artist (S.T.A.R.) Gallery continues to showcase art made by students across the Charlotte region. In March of 2022, we hosted works of art created by K-5 students for Youth Art Month (YAM). In collaboration with the YAM coordinators through Charlotte Latin, students from independent schools across the city were honored virtually. Students with their art in the galleries and their families, had their general museum admission waived so they could enjoy their art on display.

# 2021-2022 TOURS

**1,741** K-12 students were reached through school tours and reached

Nearly **1,000** adults served through adult tours

**2,158** visitors joined online virtual tours

**49** visitors participated in our free monthly ArtBreak

**150** visitors attended free weekly Mint on the Dot! Talks

**43** visitors attended Mindful Looking sessions

2 National Art Education Association Teacher Workshops that reached **60** teachers



# STRATEGIC COMMITMENT

The Mint Museum will intentionally advance the institution through a lens of diversity, equity, inclusion and accessibility in all its work, including the composition of its board, staff, and members; the development and interpretation of its collection; the organization and presentation of its exhibitions and programming; and its ongoing work to attract and engage new visitors.

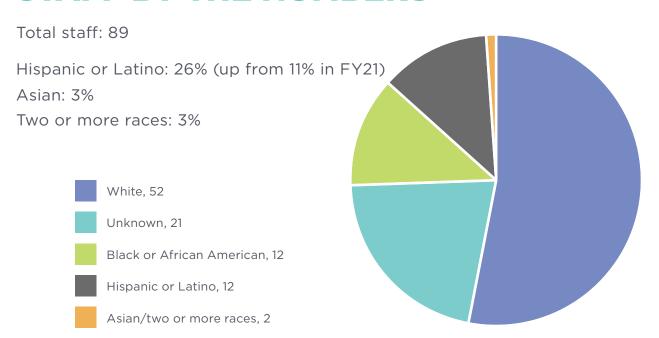
# **ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

Hired a Full-time HR/DEIA Coordinator with support from the IMLS Grant Salary equity adjustments across all staff with the help of CFO/COO

Developed DEIA pillar in the Strategic Plan which reflects 25% of the MINT's action items Increased overall diversity of staff from 18% to 27% in the last fiscal year

Established Bi-Monthly DEIA Advisory Council Meetings and Weekly DEIA Co-Leader Meetings

# **STAFF BY THE NUMBERS**



# FINANCIALS

# **CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION**

June 30, 2022 and 2021

	2022	2021
ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,976,099	\$ 1,809,336
Accounts receivable	462,462	406,726
Government grant receivable	1,361,463	373,956
Contributions Receivable:		
Operating contributions receivable, net	146,529	79,700
Other contributions receivable, net	829,307	302,500
Inventories	310,250	320,508
Deposits for future exhibitions, prepaid expenses, and other assets	244,731	343,625
Investments:		
Endowed investments:		
Foundation for the Mint Museums	17,249,448	17,278,671
Beneficial interest in trusts	26,380,667	29,919,882
Nonendowment beneficial interest in trusts	2,677,581	3,386,404
Other investments	1,277,356	1,482,632
Property and equipment, net	44,396,132	46,013,666
Land use and air rights, net	2,536,160	2,607,960
Total Assets	\$ 99,839,185	\$104,325,566
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
Liabilities:		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 1,315,452	\$ 896,135
Captial lease obligation	113,959	146,074
Paycheck Protection Program Ioan	-	776,145
Deferred revenue	1,378,910	914,380
Total Liabilities	2,808,321	2,732,734
Net Assets:		
Without donor restrictions	4,517,750	4,241,130
With donor restrictions	92,513,114	97,351,702
Total Net Assets	97,030,864	101,592,832
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$ 99, 839,185	\$ 104,325,566

# **Consolidated Statements of Activities**

Year Ended June 30, 2020

	Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions	Total
Operating Support and Revenue:			
Annual use of City facilities	\$ 1,641,852	\$ -	\$ 1,641,852
Grants	3,660,374	-	3,660,374
Gifts	2,545,040	4,212,462	6,757,502
Memberships	142,138	-	142,138
Contributions from Mint Affiliates	37,413	57,088	94,501
Rental income	1,520,781	-	1,520,781
Museum store sales	582,498	-	582,498
Other operating revenues	661,372	-	661,372
Allocation of allowable endowment balance for spending	-	680,922	680,922
	10,791,468	4,950,472	15,741,940
Endowment spending released			
from restriction	680,922	(680,922)	-
Net assets released from restriction	1,559,441	(1,559,441)	
Total Operating Support and Revenue	13,031,831	2,710,109	15,741,940
Expenses:			
Program	9,597,078	-	9,597,078
Management and general	1,588,172	-	1,588,172
Development	1,075,762	_	1,075,762
Total Expenses	12,261,012	-	12,261,012
Change in net assets from operations before depreciation and amortization	770,819	2,710,109	3,480,928
Depreciation and Amortization:			
Net assets released from restriction	1,528,057	(1,528,057)	-
Program	(1,766,902)	-	(1,766,902)
Management and general	(29,960)	-	(29,960)
Development	(27,841)	-	(27,841)
Total Depreciation and Amortization	(296,646)	(1,528,057)	(1,824,703)
Change in net assets from operations	474,173	1,182,052	1,656,225
Other Increases (Decreases):			
Change in beneficial interests in trusts	-	(3,290,042)	(3,290,042)
Non-endowment investment return	(197,553)	(6,908)	(204,461)
Endowment investment return	-	(2,042,768)	(2,042,768)
Allocation of allowable endowment balance for spending	_	(680,922)	(680,922)
Change in net assets	276,620	(4,838,588)	(4,561,968)
Net assets, beginning of year	4,421,130	97,351,702	101,592,832
Net assets, end of year	\$ 4,517,750	\$ 92,513,114	\$ 97,030,864

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Operating Support and Revenue:			
Annual use of City facilities	\$ 1,641,852	\$ -	\$ 1,641,852
Grants	1,769,150	-	1,769,150
Gifts	2,111,107	738,897	2,850,004
Memberships	152,068	-	152,068
Contributions from Mint Affiliates	225,500	37,889	263,389
Rental income	227,715	-	227,715
Museum store sales	298, 969	-	298, 969
Other operating revenues	944,434	-	944,434
Allocation of allowable endowment balance for spending		1,594,154	1,594,154
	7,370,794	2,370,940	9,741,734
Endowment spending released			
from restriction	1,594,154	(1,594,154)	-
Net assets released from restriction	541,637	(541,637)	
Total Operating Support and Revenue	9,506,585	235,149	9,741,734
Expenses:			
Program	7,256,858	-	7,256,858
Management and general	1,332,314	-	1,332,314
Development	865,561	-	865,561
Total Expenses	9,454,733	-	9,454,733
Change in net assets from operations before depreciation and amortization	51,852	235,149	287,001
Depreciation and Amortization:			
Net assets released from restriction	1,528,057	(1,528,057)	-
Program	(1,795,620)	-	(1,795,620)
Management and general	(29,451)	-	(29,451)
Development	(28,191)	_	(28,191)
Total Depreciation and Amortization	(325,205)	(1,528,057)	(1,853,262)
Change in net assets from operations	(273,353)	(1,292,908)	(1,566,261)
Other Increases (Decreases):			
Change in beneficial interests in trusts	-	7,444,290	7,444,290
Non-endowment investment return	395,990	12,636	408,626
Endowment investment return	-	4,226,209	4,226,209
Allocation of allowable endowment balance for spending	-	(1,549,154)	(1,549,154)
Change in net assets	122,637	8,769,073	8,918,710
Net assets, beginning of year	4,118,493	88,555,629	92,674,122
Net assets, end of year	\$ 4,241,130	\$ 97,351,702	\$ 101,592,832

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