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**STUDIO
TOUR**
2023

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The ARTS are everywhere in rural Ashe County.
Get to know the artists and craftspeople who
enrich our lives with their work. As you drive
our country roads and visit artist's studios, take
notice of the Barn Quilts along the way!



BOTANICAL COLLAGE
JEWELRY
PAINTINGS
POTTERY
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PHOTOGRAPHY
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**Come celebrate handmade,
original, incredible art with us!**

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Tour the studios of artists &
craftspeople in Ashe County
who produce original,
handcrafted works!

STUDIO TOUR

**Saturday, August 5
10 am - 6 pm**

**Sunday, August 6
12 pm - 5 pm**

**VIEW ARTIST'S WORK
ASHE ARTS CENTER**

**August 2 - 6
10 am - 5 pm**

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ashecountyarts.org
info@ashecountyarts.org



Your one-stop shop for Studio Tour information, maps, and driving directions. Visit the Gallery and Gallery Shop, and learn more about the many arts happenings in Ashe County!

2 David Bridge Whiskey Mountain Pottery

411 Woodie Avenue
West Jefferson, NC 28694
(980) 297-1406
dcbridge.pottery51@gmail.com



Functional and decorative pottery.

3 Jane Munroe Floyd Shades of Nature

429 Buck Mountain Road
West Jefferson, NC 28694
(336) 877-7973
jane.munroe.floyd@gmail.com



Luminous Botanical Collage using pressed plants, colorful and textural papers on hand constructed lampshades and two dimensional art.

4 Ron & JoAnn Pippin Pippin Studios

170 West Town Way
West Jefferson, NC 28694
(828) 406-6119
rj2pip@yahoo.com



Luminous watercolors of nature up close, including flowers, plants, birds, and travel themes. Simple jewelry that displays Mother Nature's little treasures. Beautiful wire-wrapped stones, shells, & beach glass.

5 Lynell Dodge Creekside Studio

167 Finch Way
West Jefferson, NC 28694
(919) 619-8410
captldl1447@gmail.com



Sterling silver jewelry and mixed media paintings.

6 Dottie Baker High Meadows Pottery

1060 Will Vannoy Road
West Jefferson, NC 28694
(336) 877-1634
dbaker996@gmail.com
highmeadowspottery.com



Gestural, earth colored, handmade pots whose roots are in early American and medieval English and Japanese pottery traditions.

7 Tom Risser HeartSpark Studio

1494 Hartzog Ford Road
West Jefferson, NC 28694
(704) 843-1136
sk8.man@usbottlers.com



Mostly Sculpture: Large to small. Abstract and figurative. Metal and glass. Built to last. Made for JOY.

8A Jay & Hollis Wild Wild Designs

204 Idlewild Road
West Jefferson, NC 28694
(336) 982-2377
hwild@skybest.com



Photography – landscape, nature and macro. Felted items including hats; eco printed and indigo dyed items.

8B John & Jane Maddocks Big Ivy Arts Studio

204 Idlewild Road
West Jefferson, NC 28694
(336) 973-5066
bigivyarts@wilkes.net



Hand built instruments including guitars, banjos, and mandolins; Ceramic vessels, painted and carved.

9 Ann Spragens Happy Hill

289 Green Meadows Dr.
Todd, NC 28684
(630) 240-3248
awspragens@gmail.com
spragensart.com



Realism, Impressionism and Expressionism inspired by the harmony of nature and the beauty of mountain living.

10 George Kosinski Kosinski Studio

410 McConnell St. #202
Jefferson, NC 28640
(336) 846-2122
kosinski@kosinskistudio.com
KosinskiStudio.com



Oil & watercolor paintings, prints, & cards inspired by local, national & international scenes, with architectural & impressionist influences.

11 Mary-Ann Prack Prack Art

431 Sunnyside Park Road
Jefferson, NC 28640
(828) 406-7046
prackart@gmail.com
prackart.com



Mary-Ann's sculpture plays with the architecture of the human figure, and reflects the joy of the human spirit. Colorful, multi layered abstract paintings.

12 Cheryl Williams Grassy Creek Pottery

746 Roby Poe Road
Crumpler, NC 28617
(336) 982-8716
grassycreekpottery@gmail.com
grassycreekpottery.com



Wheel thrown pottery created for everyday use and sculpted work with sass and class.

13 Diane Newby Gold Beach Glass

4858 Big Peak Creek Rd.
Laurel Springs, NC 28644
(206) 571-8401
goldbeachglass8@gmail.com
goldbeachglass.etsy.com



A rainbow of colorful, functional, fused art glass. Dichroic jewelry, candleholders, cabinet knobs, ornaments, dishes and gifts.

14 Becki Henderson-Gow Red Salamander Pottery

273 S. Graybeal Hollow
Creston, NC 28615
(828) 234-6524
mudslinger_wu@yahoo.com
redsalamanderpottery.com



Colorful, wheel thrown pottery that features hand painted designs reflecting archetypal symbols interpreting the natural world.

15 Jennifer Gardiner Gardiner Pottery

5123 Big Windfall Road
Lansing, NC 28643
(336) 384-1968
jenjig@gmail.com



Wheel-thrown, earthenware pottery with slip and brush decoration.

DIRECTIONS TO ARTIST'S STUDIOS - ASHE COUNTY STUDIO TOUR 2023

The directions given will all start from downtown West Jefferson. GPS directions in the mountains are sometimes not very reliable!

These directions are provided to help you navigate to each studio. The studio locations on the map are not to scale and are designed as a general reference point only to aid you in traveling from one studio to another.

1 ASHE COUNTY ARTS COUNCIL HEADQUARTERS

At the intersection of Hwy 221/163/194 turn at the traffic light towards downtown West Jefferson, Hwy 221 Business and Jefferson Avenue. Ingles, KFC/Taco Bell, McDonald's are on the left. Continue into town, through two traffic lights, and at the second four-way stop sign, turn right on Main Street. Drive two blocks and bear right at stop sign onto School Avenue. Ashe Arts Center is historic rock building on right.

2 WHISKEY MOUNTAIN POTTERY DAVID BRIDGE

Go 2 blocks up Main St. and turn left onto S. Jefferson Avenue. Go 4 blocks to Long Street. Turn right. Go 0.3 miles to Woodie Ave. Turn left. Studio is at 411 Woodie Avenue.

3 SHADES OF NATURE JANE MUNROE FLOYD

Go 2 blocks up Main St. and turn left onto S. Jefferson Avenue. Go 6 blocks to East Buck Mountain Road and turn right. Go 1.2 miles. Driveway is on left at 429 Buck Mountain Road across from Friendly Grove Baptist Church.

4 PIPPIN STUDIOS JOANN & RON PIPPIN

Go two blocks on Main St. Turn left on S. Jefferson Ave. Go 1 mile and turn right on West Town Way, just past the Cabin Outdoor Store. Studio is at 170, the third house on the right.

5 CREEKSIDE STUDIO LYNELL DODGE

From West Jefferson go to the 221 intersection and turn right, then turn left on Nettle Knob Road, go 2.5 miles, cross bridge, turn left on Finch Way, home & studio are on the left.

6 HIGH MEADOWS POTTERY DOTTIE BAKER

Go 2 blocks up Main Street and turn left onto S. Jefferson Ave. Go 1.5 miles to the intersection of Hwy. 221/163/194 (near Ingles). Turn right onto Hwy. 221 South. Go 0.3 miles to Nettle Knob Rd. Turn left. Go 3 miles to the intersection of Nettle Knob Rd. and Lower Nettle Knob Rd. Go straight to get onto Lower Nettle Knob Rd. Go 1.3 miles to Will Vannoy Rd. Turn right. Go 1 mile. Studio is on the right at 1060 Will Vannoy Rd.

7 HEARTSPARK STUDIO TOM RISSE

Turn left onto E. Main St. Turn left onto S. Jefferson Avenue. Go 1.6 miles and continue onto NC-163 E. Go 4.5 miles. Right on Mash Road. Go 0.6 miles. Right on Hartzog Ford Road. Go 1.2 miles and turn right at 1494.

8A-B WILD STUDIOS BIG IVY ARTS

From West Jefferson take NC 163 east for 8 miles. Turn right on Idlewild Road and travel to 2nd house on the right. Gray picket fence in front. Park in drive.

9 HAPPY HILL ANN SPRAGENS

Hwy 221 South to Railroad Grade Road. Turn right. Go 5.9 miles to Brown Road, turn left. Cross low water bridge. Turn right on Green Meadows Drive. Studio is on the left at 289.

OR from Todd: Turn left onto Railroad Grade Road. Go 5.5 miles, turn right on Brown Road. Turn right on Green Meadows Drive. Studio is on the left at 289.

10 KOSINSKI STUDIO GEORGE KOSINSKI

Departing from Ashe Arts Center, turn right at the Badger Funeral Home from School Avenue. At the yield sign, keep right and merge onto U.S. Hwy 221 Business – continue for 1.3 miles, just past Bobby D's Pizza. Turn left onto McConnell St and travel 0.1 miles to the top of the hill. Use the parking lot at Ashe County Health Department, on the right, opposite to Kosinski Studio (located in Historic Ashe Hospital.) For additional parking, continue to Gentry Street and turn left. On your left will be another parking lot.

11 PRACK ART MARY-ANN PRACK

Go 2 blocks. Turn left onto S. Jefferson Avenue. Go 1.5 miles to the intersection of Hwy 221/163/194 (near Ingles). Turn left onto Hwy 221N. Go 4.3 miles to Sunnyside Park Road. Turn left. Go 0.3 miles. Studio is on the left at 431 Sunnyside Park Rd.

12 GRASSY CREEK POTTERY CHERYL WILLIAMS

At intersection of 221, 194, and 163 in West Jefferson head North on 221 4.5 miles, left on 221 North-16 North 1.2 miles, right on Ashe Central School Road 0.25 mile to top

of hill, first left on Roby Poe Road, travel 0.6 mile, blue house #746 on the right.

13 GOLD BEACH GLASS DIANE NEWBY

Take S. Jefferson Avenue at Main Street from West Jefferson to Hwy 221 bypass, 1.6 miles, (intersection of McDonald's and CVS), turn left on HWY 16 N/HWY 221 N, 1.5 miles. Turn right on Hwy 221 N toward Sparta. Continue 3.2 miles. Turn right on E. Gentry Road. Go 1.4 miles. Turn right on S. JE Gentry Rd. Go 2.2 miles. Continue on Big Peak Creek Rd. Go for 0.2 miles. Look for the Gold Beach Glass Sign on the right and park where designated.

14 RED SALAMANDER POTTERY BECKI HENDERSON-GOW

Go 2 blocks to N. Jefferson Avenue which is Hwy 194. Turn right. Go 5.2 miles to Warrentsville. At intersection of Hwy 194N/88W in Warrentsville, go straight to stay on Hwy 88W. Go for 11.5 miles and turn right on Roundabout Rd. Follow signs for Baptist Home Church for 1.8 miles to S. Graybeal Hollow. Turn right on S. Graybeal Hollow for .1 mile to first house on the left. Studio entrance is across the front porch on the left.

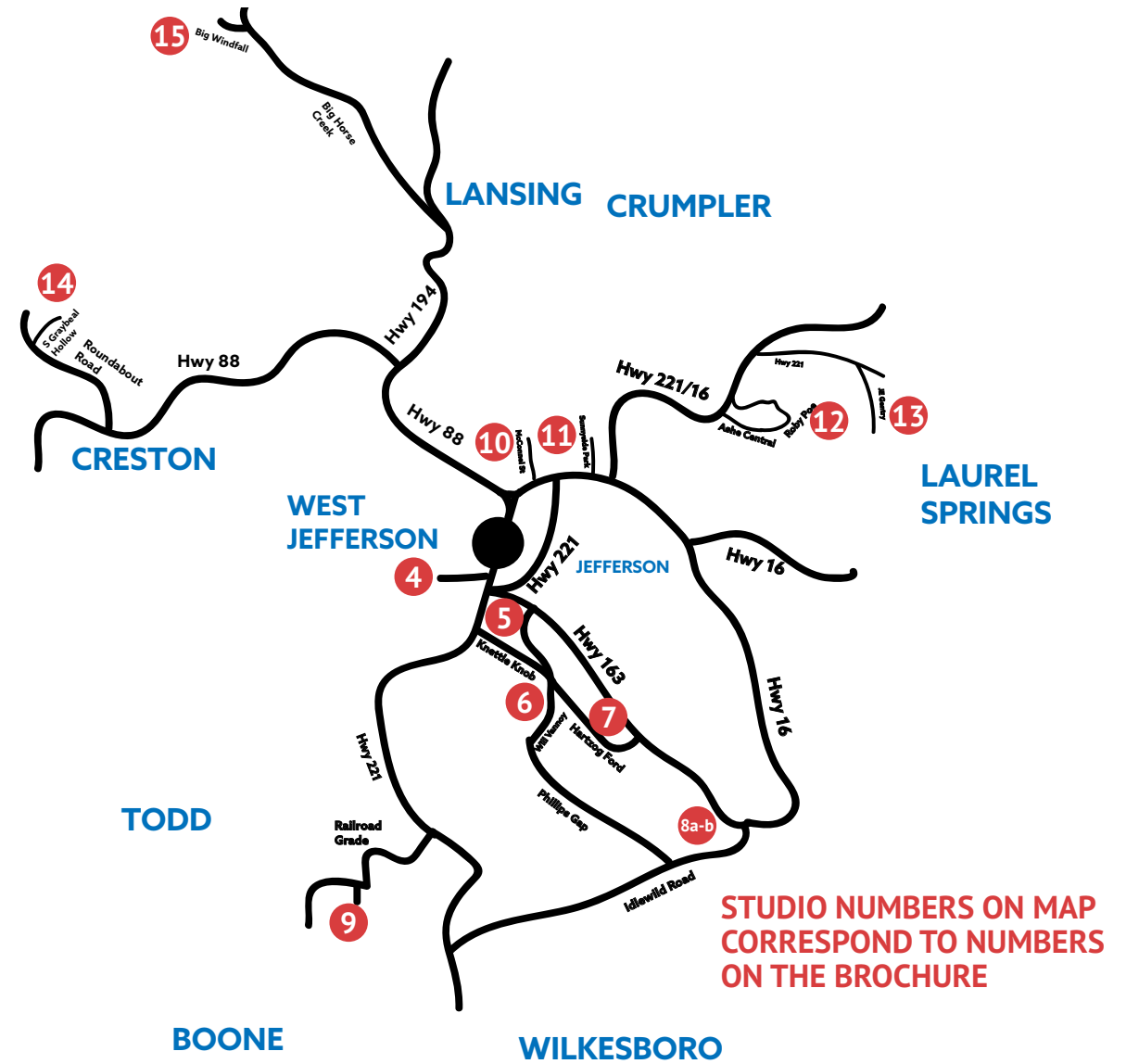
15 GARDINER POTTERY JENNIFER GARDINER

Go 2 blocks to N. Jefferson Avenue which is Hwy 194N. Turn right. Go 5.2 miles to Warrentsville. At the intersection of Hwy 194N and Hwy 88W, turn right to get onto 194N. Go 3.7 miles to the stop sign in sign in Lansing. Go straight to get on Big Horse Creek Rd. Go 2.6 miles to the first turn onto Big Windfall Rd. DON'T TURN HERE! Go 6.5 miles to the second turn onto Big Windfall Rd., just past the Apple Grove Missionary Baptist Church. Turn left. Go 0.3 miles. Studio is on the right at 5123 Big Windfall Rd.



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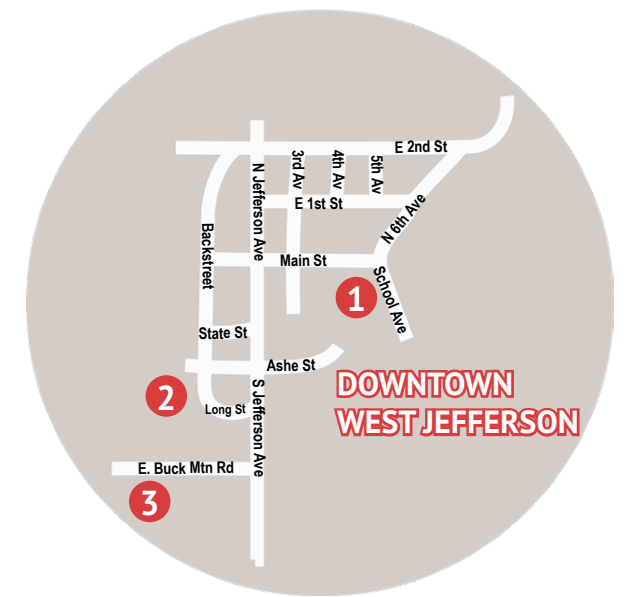
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