



Emerging Artist's Show at BMCA in March

The Black Mountain Center for the Arts announces its annual Emerging Artists Show in the Upper Gallery from March 9-27. Emerging Artists are students who take classes in visual arts on a regular basis at the Center. The teacher for the Painting and Drawing Class is internationally known wildlife artist, Bob Travers, whose work can be seen at bobtraversart.com.

An opening reception to meet the artists and teacher is scheduled on Sunday, March 15 from 3-4 pm. The Center is located in the old City Hall at 225 W. State Street in downtown Black Mountain. More information may be obtained at 828/669-0930 or by visiting blackmountainarts.org

Works on display include still life, landscape, portraiture, wildlife, and more. Some of these BMCA students have been displaying and selling their art for many years, but continue to study with a professional artist on a weekly basis. Others are new to the concept of being an "artist." Ages range from age 8 to retirees. Several of the youngest students have won awards at the national and state level for their wildlife paintings.

Travers' classes, held on Tuesdays and Wednesdays in the basement level arts classroom of the Center, are informally structured so that each student can receive individual and group instruction from him, but also get class feedback, especially among the adults. Students work in their own choice of medium, whether oil, acrylic, watercolor, charcoal, pastels, pen and ink, or mixed media. Ideas flow easily among the students, but always with guidance from their instructor,

Sponsor for the Emerging Artists show, which is on display through March 27, is David Ruland of Grace Jewelers in Black Mountain. There is no admission charge to see the show.