

Gallery Artists

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Les Yeux du Monde Art Gallery
Charlottesville VA



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Our Mission

Les Yeux du Monde specializes in exhibiting and selling contemporary art by regional, national and international artists with an eye to the historical importance of each artist shown. We seek to inspire individuals to explore new artistic perspectives, deepen their understanding of and appreciation for art and to support art in the state and the Mid Atlantic region.

The gallery

Les Yeux du Monde gallery is a leader in the region for contemporary art, sculpture and photography. Founded in 1995, Les Yeux du Monde represents over 40 contemporary artists including Dean Dass, John Borden Evans, Annie Harris Massie, Lincoln Perry, and Russ Warren, as well as some promising undiscovered talents.

Lyn Bolen Warren, the owner/director, received her Ph.D. in art history from the University of Virginia in 1994. She opened the original gallery from her home, and as it developed the gallery moved to its present location on the corner of Water and First Streets off the historic downtown mall. International in scope, Les Yeux du Monde has exhibited work by modern masters such as Jean-Michel Basquiat, Romare Bearden, Frank Stella and Andy Warhol. Les Yeux du Monde also collaborates with the University of Virginia Art Museum and Second Street Gallery on exhibits of caliber, such as the 2000 site specific exhibition *Hindsight/Fore-site: Art for the New Millennium* with the museum in 2000 and more recently, in 2006, the *Anne Slaughter Retrospective* at Second Street Gallery.

Les Yeux du Monde maintains an important inventory of work by regional and national artists. Over the past twelve years the gallery has helped many private and corporate clients assemble collections of high quality art suited to their particular needs and budgets. Les Yeux du Monde has a new exhibition each month which opens to the public, on each “First Friday” from 5:30–7:30.

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James Welty is one of the few contemporary American sculptors to work in copper, his elected medium since 1989. Welty received his BFA from the Rochester Institute of Technology in 1974, studied at Oxford's School of Drawing as well as the Chicago Art Institute, and was Frank Stella's Master Printer and collaborator from 1975 to 1987. Welty's wall pieces have the appearance of evolving from an undistinguishable center, and the oxidation that occurs in variable intensities of heat adds lustrous accents of color to specific areas, giving Welty's pieces luminous characteristics. Currently, Welty creates both wall pieces and freestanding sculptures in copper while working from his studio in Afton, Virginia. He resides in Charlottesville on the Lawn with wife Karen van Lengen Welty, Dean of the U.Va. Architecture School, and daughter Kyrie.





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