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Betty McKinne: Lost Landscapes



Miss Jody's, pastel and Conté pencil on mat board, 10 3/4" x 17 1/4." no date

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Edith C. Lumpkin Community Gallery **August 22-October 7, 2016**

Exhibition Opening, with Introduction by Elizabeth McKinne

Seby B. Jones Performing Arts Center Monday, August 22, 2016, 7 p.m.

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Betty McKinne: Lost Landscapes

Betty Chauvin
Hochenedel McKinne
was born in Baton
Rouge, Louisiana, in
1920. She received
her BFA degree from
Sophie Newcomb
College in New
Orleans. Majoring in
ceramics, she also
studied painting and
drawing with noted
teacher and artist Will
Henry Stevens.

After graduating in 1941, she taught art and art history at



Betty McKinne, 1967

St. Mary's School in Raleigh. While there, she met Collin McKinne, and after a wartime marriage they eventually settled in his hometown of Louisburg. Although Betty McKinne was recognized locally for her contributions to historic preservation, as well as for her accomplishments in gardening and garden design, her education and abilities in fine art were unknown to many.

The exhibition title, *Lost Landscapes*, suggests a dual meaning, the first being that some of these landscapes and the histories they depict are being lost over time. Secondly, the work in this exhibition was almost lost to us; after our mother's death in 2010, my sister, Jane McKinne-Mayer, and I discovered many of her drawings we had never seen before. These works marry many of the passions in our mother's life: nature, art, architecture and historic preservation. She was prescient in recognizing that her primary subjects, open rural landscapes and eighteenth- and nineteenth-century buildings in Franklin County, could someday be lost to development and changes in agriculture in the county and state. She

saw beauty in the decaying structures and wanted to ensure that these places were not forgotten. Here, nearly fifty years later, her drawings are exhibited together for the first time.

Elizabeth McKinne August 2016



Untitled, pastel and Conté pencil on pastel paper, 11 7/8" x 5 3/8," no date