

From the breathtaking views of ~~the North Carolina's~~ Smokey Mountains to the magnetic appeal of ~~the its~~ Piedmont to the sun- and sand-filled peacefulness of ~~its~~the coast, ~~there is Old North State~~ ~~has~~ something special ~~about North Carolina~~.

~~All three regions provide backdrops or subjects for~~ *Scent of the Pine, You Know How I Feel*, which features 73 works ~~of art~~ by artists who were born ~~in our state or~~ lived, or worked ~~in our state~~ here. The works span two centuries and numerous styles, from ~~r~~Realism and American Impressionism to ~~p~~Post-~~M~~modernism and ~~f~~Folk ~~a~~Art.

The ~~exhibition's title was inspired by lyrics from the~~ song "Feeling Good," as sung by Tryon, ~~North Carolina~~ native Eunice Kathleen Waymon ~~inspired the exhibition's title~~. Today we know her as Nina Simone, ~~and we recall r~~the song's soulful and sultry character ~~to evokes~~ the same sense of place and people as the images ~~represented in the Scent of the Pine~~ exhibition. ~~Another interesting connection is that~~ Simone studied classical piano ~~from under~~ Muriel Mazzanovich, wife of artist Lawrence Mazzanovich, ~~featured who is represented in their exhibit~~ gallery.

Scent of the Pine ~~This exhibition~~ was ~~curated by K. Johnson Bowles and~~ originally organized by the Longwood Center for the Visual Arts at Longwood University ~~in Farmville~~, Virginia.

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