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The Art and Illustration  
of John Parra

August 26 - October 22, 2017



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Poster: John Parra, *Triangles Sail on the Breeze*, 2016, acrylic on illustration board, 17 x 9 inches, Courtesy of the artist and Chronicle Books.



Hope Morgan, *World 2 (Wanderlust Series)*, 2016, acrylic and ink on paper, 24.75 x 22.75 inches, Collection of the Longwood Center for the Visual Arts, purchase, 2016.5.

## Summertime. Sweet, Sweet Summertime ...

Summer is the perfect time to connect with family and friends at the LCVA. From our engaging exhibitions and Summer Art Studio program that unites art and children's literature, to our popular Summer Wine & Brew series, there is never a slow moment. We can't wait to see you here in downtown Farmville!

### Volunteer + Sponsor

We have amazing summer volunteer and sponsorship opportunities—there is something for everyone. For information about volunteer opportunities, call 434.395.2662 or email [volunteerlcva@longwood.edu](mailto:volunteerlcva@longwood.edu). For information about sponsor opportunities, call 434.395.2551 or email [robertsbm@longwood.edu](mailto:robertsbm@longwood.edu). Email us at [lcvainfo@longwood.edu](mailto:lcvainfo@longwood.edu) to subscribe to our monthly e-newsletter. Follow us on Facebook at Longwood Center for the Visual Arts and never miss another LCVA event.

### Friends + Partners

Our Friends + Partners have more than our sincere and heartfelt gratitude—they have the knowledge they have had a real impact on our community. As a gesture of thanks for believing in who we are and what we do, the LCVA provides our Friends + Partners with early entry and special invitations to donor appreciation events throughout the year. If you are not currently part of our Friends + Partners program, please join or renew today by calling 434.395.2251 or visiting [lcva.longwood.edu/friends-and-partners](http://lcva.longwood.edu/friends-and-partners). Gifts at and above \$1,500 put extra "reach" in our outreach and bring you into the Citizen Leaders Giving Society at Longwood University (formerly the President's Circle).



## Thank You

On April 29, LCVA honored those who contribute to the vibrancy of our community through the arts. During the 18th Community Achievement in the Arts Awards, we were delighted to honor the following individuals and organizations:

Individual — Mary Jo Stockton

Organization — Virginia Children's Book Festival

Business — Mainly Clay

Volunteer — Alec Hosterman

Student Volunteer — Austin D. Van Horn

Barbara Dixon Lifetime Achievement — Nancy Lockwood

Arts Advocacy Award — Gerry Spates

Thank you for joining us in fulfilling our mission of improving the quality of life in the region by providing full access to the visual arts and to the ways art exemplifies beauty, hope and the power of human imagination.

## Exhibitions

**Enduring Legacy 2017: Recent Acquisitions** highlights works of art acquired for LCVA's permanent collection since 2015, and includes several recent substantial gifts from noted collectors Judy Norrell and Keith Kisse, as well as works from several contemporary photographers. Although Longwood University began collecting art in the late 19th century, our first collecting area was defined in 1951 with the establishment of the Contemporary Virginia Artists Collection. Twenty years later our collections broadened to include American art. In the decades that followed, our collections once again expanded to include Chinese and African art. We also actively collect and exhibit folk art, crafts and decorative arts. Recent years have seen a renewed emphasis on our acquisition of contemporary Virginia art. In addition to LCVA's galleries at Third and Main streets in downtown Farmville, our collections are displayed throughout the Longwood campus as part of our Art on Campus program. Our successful Have Art, Will Travel school outreach program takes our collection on the road to thousands of school-age children in our service area. Through LCVA's collections, many in our community enjoy compelling and accessible encounters with art that might not otherwise be possible. **On view through July 30, 2017.**

**Camp Unity** showcases approximately 100 works of art created by the 2016 participants in Camp Unity, a program for adults with developmental challenges. In its ninth year, Camp Unity provides campers with the opportunity to engage with traditional camp activities in addition to the LCVA-led art activities, including archery and swimming. LCVA's Camp Unity exhibition is made possible through the generous support of Helton House. **On view through Aug. 6, 2017.**

**Welcome! / ¡Bienvenidos! : The Art and Illustration of John Parra** features the work of this award-winning illustrator, fine artist, designer and educator, best known for his Latino-themed children's books such as *Waiting for the Biblioburro*, *Green is a Chile Pepper* and *Gracias/Thanks*. Most recently, Parra was commissioned to create the art for the USPS' 2017 "Delicioso" collection of Forever stamps featuring foods that represent the Latino American experience. He has received many awards and honors including: the American Library Association's Pura Belpré Honors, the Christopher's Award, and the Golden Kite Award from the Society of Children's Book Writers and Illustrators. He has exhibited widely throughout the U.S. and abroad, and has taught art at the Carnegie Art Museum in Oxnard, California. This exhibition is presented in collaboration with the Virginia Children's Book Festival. **On view Aug. 26 – Oct. 22, 2017. Opening reception on Aug. 25, 5–8 pm.**



**Summer Wine & Brew** is back! Relax with art, complimentary appetizers, and raise a glass to friends old and new at the LCVA. Open galleries and a cash bar are available. **Friday evenings 5–7 p.m. through Aug. 25, 2017.**

**Read All About It — Summer Art Studio 2017** Join us this summer to explore and create beautiful works of art inspired by some of your favorite children's literature. Summer Art Studio 2017 is made possible through the generous support of Walmart. **Drop in any time between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m., Monday–Friday, from June 5 through Aug. 4.**