

## 4<sup>th</sup> Annual OLLI Art Bazaar

On Friday, November 11, 2016, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. and Saturday, November 12, 2016, 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at UNC Asheville will hold their 4th Annual Art Bazaar. Over forty OLLI members will offer a range of art and crafts for sale. This one of a kind showcase of talents includes painting, photography, jewelry, textiles, handmade soaps and lotions, pottery, knitted scarves and hats, and much more. A perfect event to find a one of a kind and to begin holiday shopping! This event is free and open to the public. Here is a snapshot of three of the exhibitors:



A lifelong student of art, Diane Chambers is a watercolorist. She is also an environmentalist, a gardener and a teacher. Her love of science and nature is reflected in her works of art. "I paint for my own bliss," she says. She escapes into her watercolors for sheer joy and peace. It's good for her soul. The OLLI art bazaar is a wonderful way to socialize with other exhibitors, talk to shoppers, and, oh, yes, find good homes for her artwork. One of her paintings lives in Paris.

Bea Lothrop had three phases of her life: the corporate world, the healing world and, now, the creative world. A big part of that creative world is bead weaving. Beading classes from many



years ago fueled her passion for mixing techniques, such as, American Indian peyote and St. Petersburg into her free-form ideas for bracelets and necklaces. Besides bead weaving, Bea is a beekeeper, a rug hooker and is currently learning to quilt. Be sure to visit her space at the

OLLI Art Bazaar.

Gail Wiley has been interested in art her whole life. Her focus on pottery began in graduate school when a professor of hers was exhibiting at an art show and she was hooked. Since that time she has taken classes wherever she has lived and managed to devote time to pottery while she was working and raising her children. Now that she has retired she takes classes at AB Tech and Odyssey and devotes about two days a week to throwing and hand building the clay. She shares a studio in her home with her husband Bud who works with wood. You can find her work in Mountain Made in the Grove Arcade and also in an exclusive shop in Maine. This is her fourth OLLI art bazaar.

