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## **ARTWORK OF LADY BIRD STRICKLAND, RJ HAAS ON DISPLAY IN MT HOLLY**

### **Feb. 2 Opening Receptions for Both Exhibits**

The Burlington County Freeholders invite residents to attend opening receptions for two special art exhibits, featuring the work of local artists Lady Bird Strickland and RJ Haas, opening in Mount Holly on February 2.

The reception for the Lady Birds Strickland exhibit will be held from 2 to 4 pm at the Warden's House on High Street and the reception for the RJ Haas exhibit will be held from 6 to 8 pm at the nearby Home Fine Art Gallery on Church Street.

Sponsored by the Burlington County Freeholders and scheduled to run until March 2, the Lady Bird Strickland exhibit will showcase the work of the famed Willingboro artist who was born into poverty in the foothills of Georgia in 1926 at a time when America was still a segregated society offering little opportunity or encouragement to black American artists. Her paintings express aspects of life as it existed during slavery, Harlem's Jazz Age, and the civil rights movement and offer the viewer a perspective that is often forgotten in our everyday, contemporary struggles.

The Warden's House Gallery will be open to the public on Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays from 10 am to 4 pm, and Sundays from noon to 4 pm. Admission is free. For more information, call (609) 265-5858.

The RJ Haas exhibit will feature the artist's "Tree in the View" Artistic Series and will run until Feb. 28. An active member of various art organizations, Haas studied art history at Pfeiffer College, North Carolina and his work has appeared in numerous exhibits in Burlington County and Philadelphia. He is a resident of Southampton.

The Home Fine Art Gallery's hours are Saturdays from 10 am to 6 pm, Sundays from 11 am to 4 pm, and Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 11 am to 6 pm. For more information, call (609) 261-8634 or go to [www.homefineart.org](http://www.homefineart.org)

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