



~ News from the High Country February 2011 ~

### Watauga County:

Appalachian State University's Turchin Center for the Visual Arts is inviting the campus and community to learn more about one of their recent exhibitions from the artist himself. Installation artist, David Meyer will be discussing his newest work from his exhibition In the Void during the **Turchin Center's Lunch and Learn** on February 16th from 12n -1 pm. The Lunch and Learn lecture series offers interactive and informative lunchtime seminars that provide opportunities to learn about the current exhibitions and are free and open to the public. Bring a bagged lunch and join Turchin Center staff and David Meyer as they explore the many aspects of the human condition in relation to the physical world through a unique approach to materials and objects. For more information, call 828-262-3017 or go to: [www.tcva.org](http://www.tcva.org).

The only professional folk dance company in Brazil, Balé **Folclórico da Bahia** was formed in 1988 and has achieved considerable success in its short history. Under the artistic direction of José Carlos Arandiba, the 38 member troupe of dancers, musicians and singers perform a repertory based on folkloric dances of African origin. They will be performing at the Farthing Auditorium in Boone on February 15th at 8:00pm. For more information, call (800) 841-ARTS or go to: <http://pas.appstate.edu>

### Ashe County:

Visitors to Ashe County will find the arts throughout the area. More than a dozen art galleries and specialty shops dot the streets of West Jefferson, and many more are scattered throughout the county. Ashe is also home to the famous **Churches of the Frescoes**, located in Glendale springs and West Jefferson.

### Avery County:

**Guided Snowshoe Tours at Sugar Mountain** are a great way to stay active during the winter months! Snowshoe tours will be offered every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 3 pm and Saturday at 9am and 3pm. The program includes a 1 hour tour and snowshoe rental. Cost is \$20. Adult tours are for 12 years or older. Children's tours are for 8-11 year olds. Sign at the Sugar Mountain Ski/Snowboard School. For more information, call #800-SUGARMT or visit their website at: [www.skisugar.com](http://www.skisugar.com).

Don't forget: if you are looking to keep up-to-date on local events and weather, you may also access the following web sites: [www.booneweather.com](http://www.booneweather.com), [www.mountaintimes.com](http://www.mountaintimes.com), [www.wataugademocrat.com](http://www.wataugademocrat.com), [www.jeffersonpost.com](http://www.jeffersonpost.com) and [www.blowingrocket.com](http://www.blowingrocket.com).



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