

# Arts in the Triangle

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## *A Day In Chapel Hill*

**A** day in Chapel Hill starts with driving to downtown Chapel Hill and parking in any of the public lots around town. Stroll around the streets of Chapel Hill and Carrboro, and you will notice a number of beautiful murals painted on the sides of downtown buildings. These works are the creation of Chapel Hill artist Michael Brown. A graduate of the art department at the University of North Carolina (UNC), Michael makes his living making art and has done commissions around North Carolina and as far a-field as Massachusetts. A day downtown includes a stop at Ackland Art Museum, browsing at Frank Gallery (named for Franklin Street) and lunch along Franklin Street.

### MORNING

#### **Ackland Art Museum**

101 S. Columbia St., Chapel Hill, N.C. • 919.966.5736

<http://www.ackland.org>

Since 1958, the Ackland Art Museum has been one of North Carolina's most important artistic resources. Located on S. Columbia Street, near the Franklin Street intersection in downtown Chapel Hill, the Ackland is an academic unit of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. The Museum's collection consists of more than 16,000 works of art, featuring North Carolina's premier collections of Asian art and works of art on paper (drawings, prints, and photographs), plus significant collections of European masterworks, twentieth-century and contemporary art, African art and North Carolina pottery. The Ackland organizes more than a dozen special exhibitions a year.

## MORNING

### Frank Street Arts Collective

109 E. Franklin St., Chapel Hill, N.C. • 919.636.4135

<http://www.frankisart.com>

FRANK is an exciting new art venue in downtown Chapel Hill. Thursday evening events are a bright spot and high quality art make it a must see. The artist-owned gallery is in the heart of downtown Chapel Hill. Featuring work from over 70 artists, Frank offers more than you'd expect from an art gallery. Frank is a collective, founded by the area's finest artists working together to open the door for creative innovation in the arts.

## LUNCH

### 411 West

411 W. Franklin St., Chapel Hill, N.C. • 919.969.7450

<http://www.411west.com>

411 West, an Italian restaurant in Chapel Hill, specializes in seasonal fresh pastas, wood-fired pizzas, fresh seafood, steaks, and specials inspired by the flavors of Italy and the Mediterranean. Located on the west end of Franklin Street, Chapel Hill's main thoroughfare, 411 West is convenient to the campus of UNC and a short drive from RDU.

## AFTERNOON

### Chapel Hill/Orange County Visitors Center

501 W. Franklin St., Chapel Hill, N.C. • 919.968.2060

<http://www.visitchapelhill.org>

The restaurant is within walking distance of the Visitors Center, which features an art gallery inside its offices, rotating local talent every couple of months. The Visitors Center is just down the way from the ArtsCenter in Carrboro, Seagrove Pottery Shop and the N.C. Crafts Gallery in Carrboro.

