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#### **1. GARDENS OF THE SEA**

by Raney Rogers, June 2002 Sponsored by Raney Rogers Located at Acorn Gallery

#### 2. UNITY IN DIVERSITY

by Mary Ann DiNapoli-Mylet and Ashe County Middle School Students, July 2006 Sponsored by Ashe County Arts Council Located at Geno's Restaurant

#### **3. BLUE RIDGE PARKWAY**

by Bessie Clay, October 2005 Sponsored by Jefferson Station Located at Jefferson Station

#### 4. TRAIN AT JEFFERSON STATION

by Stephen Shoemaker, May 2005 Sponsored by Jefferson Station Located at Jefferson Station



#### **5. SPRING WILDFLOWERS ON MOUNT IEFFERSON**

by Robert Johnson, June 1998 Sponsored by Ashe County Arts Council & West Jefferson Revitalization Committee Located at AF Bank

#### 6. WEATHERED PINES

by R.T. Morgan, July 2003 Sponsored by Vivian Miller Located at Ashe High Country Realty

#### 7. HISTORY OF ASHE THROUGH THE AGES AND SEASONS

by Fack Young, October 1996 Sponsored by McFarland & Company, Publishers, Inc. Located at Regency Properties

#### 8. WINGS AND THINGS

by Earle & Raines Thompson with the help of community volunteers, March 2004 Sponsored by Ashe County Arts Council, North Carolina Museum of Art and Ashe County High School Mural Walking Tour Located at Ashe County Cheese

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#### 9. NEW RIVER TRADITIONS

by Mary Ann DiNapoli-Mylet. October 1998 Sponsored by Ashe County Arts Council and West Jefferson Revitalization Committee Located at Active Realty

#### **10. HAYDEN AND CHACO**

by Olivia Harless and Stephen Shoemaker, August 2004 Sponsored by Western Jefferson Located at Western Jefferson

#### **11. SOMEWHERE IN ASHE**

by R.T. Morgan, June 2002 Sponsored by West Jefferson **Revitalization Committee** Located at R.T. Morgan Art Gallery

#### **12. CUT AT DEVIL'S STAIRS**

by Stephen Shoemaker, June 2001 Sponsored by Ashe County Arts Council and West Jefferson Revitalization Committee Located at Dollar Tire TOFTHSECONDAVEN











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### How to Get to West Jefferson, NC!

**From Charlotte, NC:** Take I-77 North. Take Exit 73-B (US Hwy. 421 North). Turn right at Deep Gap onto US Hwy. 221 North and then left onto Business US Hwy. 221. Proceed to downtown.

**From Raleigh/Greensboro, NC:** Take I-40 to US Hwy. 421 North. Turn right at Deep Gap onto US Hwy. 221 North. Turn left onto Business Hwy. 221. Proceed to downtown.

**From Roanoke, VA:** Take I-81 South to the exit for I-77 South. Take exit for US Hwy. 421 North and turn right at Deep Gap onto US Hwy. 221 North. Turn left onto Business US Hwy. 221. Proceed to downtown.







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# of Downtown West Jefferson

Capturing the Beauty and History of our Town











## The Painting is on the Wall

Welcome to West Jefferson's **ARTS DISTRICT**! The downtown murals are one facet of this small rural town's personality. The mural project began in 1996; today West Jefferson sports twelve beautiful, intriguing, unique

works of public art that showcase the history, culture and beauty of the mountain region.

The murals offer a glimpse into Ashe County life. They provide the viewer with an appreciation for the community—past and present. The murals add life to the downtown area and nurture a sense of renewal and civic pride.

For residents and visitors, the murals give a glimpse of the artistic talent that abounds in Ashe County. Contributing painters include West Jefferson, County and Ashe North Carolina artists, students. local and community members. The enthusiasm and the overwhelming support from the community have contributed to the mural project's success.

The Murals of West Jefferson have been created and funded by a variety of sources. The Ashe Arts Center serves as the hub of information for the arts in Ashe County and the

Arts Council has long taken the lead role in using the arts as a vehicle for change and growth throughout the county. Funding partners in the West Jefferson Downtown Murals Project include HandMade in America, the Blue Ridge National Heritage Area, the North Carolina Arts Council, the North Carolina Museum of Art, the West Jefferson Revitalization

C o m m i t t e e / W e s t Jefferson Community Partnership, Ashe County Schools, local businesses, the Town of West Jefferson and the Ashe County Arts Council.

The murals map is designed to guide you on an easy walking tour encompassing eight town blocks. Stroll West the streets of Jefferson and enjoy galleries, studios, shops, services, restaurants and interesting public art. The murals and public art have the power to beautify, enhance, inspire and to contribute to our living and working environment.

We hope you enjoy your stay in West Jefferson, and encourage you to come back soon. More murals and public art are planned and there's always something special going on in the area. And please tell your friends about West Jefferson's ARTS DISTRICT and the Town of the Murals!

For more information about arts programming, events or the murals in West Jefferson, call the Ashe County Arts Council at 336-846-ARTS.