



Carol Williams

1958 –
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Strawberry Festival float 1979

Oil on canvas board

Redland Art Gallery Collection. Acquired by Redland City Council prior to 2003.

Carol Williams is an amateur artist who paints in a deliberately simple style, sometimes referred to as naïve. It is an approach that is associated with innocence and intensity of vision.

In this painting the artist depicts a Strawberry Festival Float, an annual street parade held at Cleveland from the 1960's. Established as the Redland Strawberry Festival, the traditional street parade consisted of a spectacular array of festival floats adorned with festival queens. While there is no longer a traditional street parade, the festival has kept the strawberry-eating contest as a historic attraction.