



Burgess has observed the masters and studied with the best, but acknowledges that growing up with images created by her talented mother have been her greatest inspiration...one that she has passed along to her own daughters.



Donna Burgess creates unique imagery to illustrate the flavor of one of the Emerald Coast's most popular events. The successful watercolorist has created the signature poster design for the Sandestin Wine Festival event's entire 21-year history. One lucky winner will take home artwork from the original festival and the first in the new series by simply registering online at www.mysandestinhom.com.

Burgess' second in her very limited edition Wine Collectors Series was released on March 15 at the Donna Burgess Gallery at The Market Shops and the Wine Festival. The poster series has always been a 1,000 print offering. The Collectors Series is printed on watercolor paper and is limited to only 100 high quality Giclees.

Donna BURGESS

The Market Shops' Colorful Character

By Julie Root

One of The Market Shops at Sandestin's most colorful characters is Donna Burgess, whose signature art gallery is often on the top of guest's 'to do' lists while visiting the resort.

Renowned in Northwest Florida for capturing the beauty and joy of coastal life through her watercolor interpretations, bold acrylics on canvas and award-winning festival poster art, Burgess' works are widely collected by people who love the region.

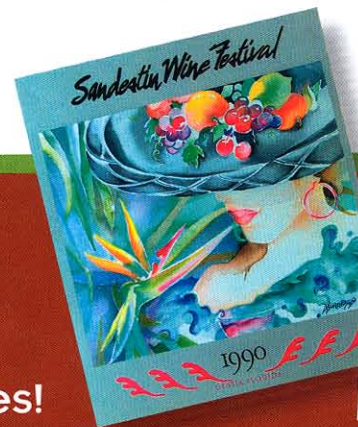
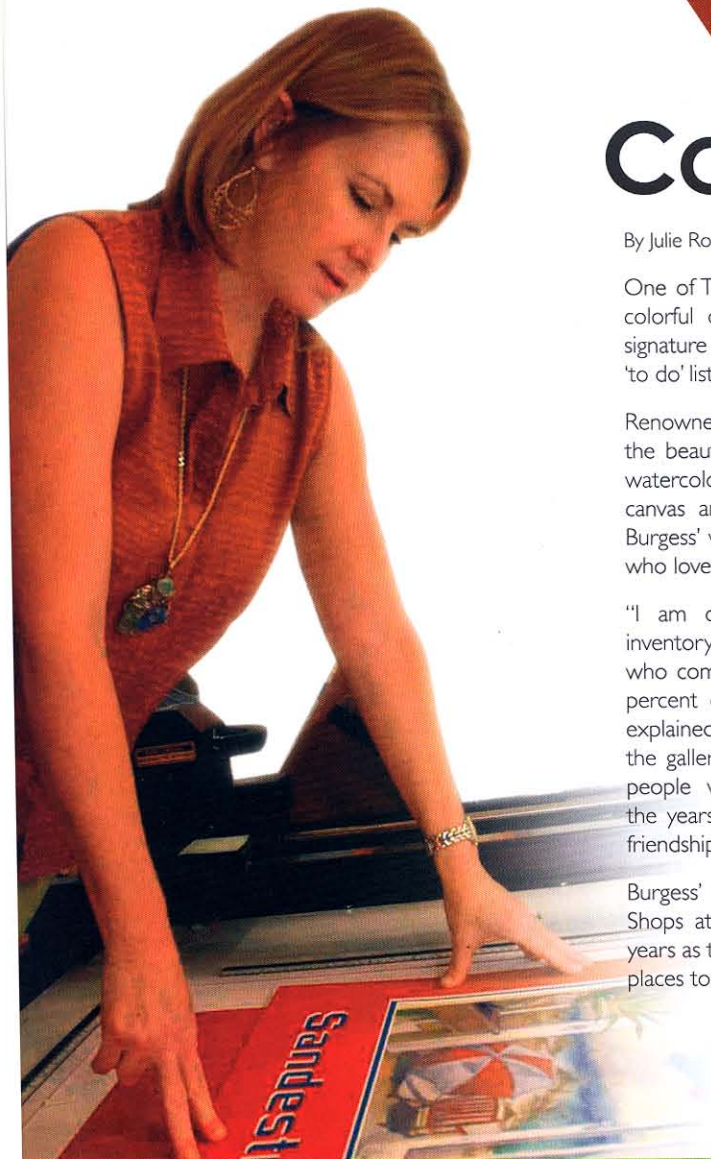
"I am consistently working to update my inventory and create new pieces for the people who come back every year, which is about 50 percent of the people who visit us," Burgess explained. "And now I'm spending more time in the gallery, so I get to meet and talk to these people who have collected my work over the years and that has resulted in some great friendships and connections."

Burgess' gallery is nestled within The Market Shops at Sandestin, known for more than 20 years as the Destin area's most elite and friendly places to gather.

"I remember when The Market Shops was the only place to shop in the Sandestin area, and now with its wide variety of upscale boutiques – all with their own individual character – the center has become the 5th Avenue of Destin," said Burgess. "It's an institution, and because The Market Shops offers so much open space, covered walkways, places to mix and mingle and great entertainment and events, people come from far and wide to shop and play here."

As a native of the Panama City Beach area, Burgess harbors a love of the coast that translates freely through her color-washed interpretations of children enjoying summer, fish leaping from azure waters, pets in play, and cottages styled by memories of a gentle era.

Now you can capture memories of your own at Burgess' watercolor workshop held in and around the Sandestin Golf & Beach Resort area. She plans to hold four three-day watercolor painting workshops per year for all levels of artists wanting to make their own Sandestin masterpiece.



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