

# The Cultured Conch Art Event in the Keys

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### Visual Art

Thur., Feb. 1 - Mon., Feb. 12 - Internationally acclaimed environmental artist and conservationist Wyland will paint his 95th mammoth "Whaling Wall" marine life mural. The public is invited to watch. MM 99.2, Key Largo. 800-469-3069 wylandkeywest.com.

Thur. Feb. 1 - Wed, Feb. 14 - "Front Window Showcase." Kimian's Art: Gytaku fish prints. Open Daily 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Artists In Paradise Gallery, Winn Dixie Shopping Center, Big Pine Key. 872-1828.

Fri., Feb. 2 - Fri., March 16 - Exhibition of work by featured artists Sue and Bobby D'Antonio. Gourd art and surprisingly priced steel sculptures. Opening reception 7-9 p.m. Artists In Paradise Gallery, Winn Dixie Shopping Center, Big Pine Key. 872-1828.

Sat., Feb. 3 - Tues., Feb. 13 - Janet M Mueller Contemporary Paintings. Opening reception 4-9 p.m. Key West Fine Art Photography and Printing's Gallery 007. 7007 Shrimp Road, Stock Island. 292-3295. janetmueller.com.

Mon., Feb. 5 - Lower Keys Artist Network Monthly meeting. A "Make It Take It" featuring Connie Powers and her palm frond weavings of fish and boats. 7 - 9 p.m. Artists In Paradise Gallery, Winn Dixie Shopping Center, Big Pine Key. 872-1828.

Wed., Feb. 7 - Sat., Feb. 24 - Larry Estridge - Steel and aluminum sculptures. Opening reception 7 - 10 p.m. Charest-Weinberg Gallery, 1111 Duval St., Key West. 292-0411.

Wed., Feb. 7 - Mon., Feb. 12 - New Works by Susan Sugar and Cathy Rose Artist reception. 6-9 p.m. Lucky Street Gallery, 1130 Duval St., Key West. 294-3973.

Wed., Feb. 7 - "Heart's Delight." Jewelry and paintings. Reception 5-8 p.m. Suzy Starfish Gallery, 912 Duval St., Key West. 292-6624. suzystarfish.com.

Fri., Feb. 9 - Thur., May 31 - New Photo Panoramas by C.J. Groth. Guild Hall Gallery, 614 Duval St., Key West. 394-4128.

Fri., Feb. 9 - Fri., Feb. 23 - "Venture Out Ladies." Works by featured artists Helen Kordon, Joanne Sloan and Ellen Rayher. Opening reception. 7-9 p.m. Artists In Paradise Gallery, Winn Dixie Shopping Center, Big Pine Key. 872-1828.

Sat., Feb. 10 - "Art on the Porch." This month featuring artist Liz Queeney. 10 a.m.- 6 p.m. Bougainvillea House Gallery, MM 53.5 bayside, Marathon. 743-0808.

Tues., Feb. 13 - Mon., Feb. 19 - Steve Walker. Opening reception 5:30 - 8:30 p.m. Gingerbread Square Gallery, 1207 Duval Street, Key West. 296-8900.

Wed., Feb. 14 - March 5 - New Works by John Martini and Carol Munder. Artist reception 6-9 p.m. Lucky Street Gallery, 1130 Duval St., Key West. 294-3973.

Wed., Feb. 14 - Wed., Feb. 28 - "Front Window Showcase." Barb Dreher displaying her underwater and nature photography. Open Daily 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Artists In Paradise Gallery, Winn Dixie Shopping Center, Big Pine Key. 872-1828.

Thur., Feb. 15 - Helen Harrison sculpture, Deedra Ludwig encaustics and Paula Brinkman spirit dolls. Reception 6 - 9 p.m. part of Third Thur., "Night on White" Gallery Walk. Harrison Gallery, 825 White St., Key West. 294-0609.

Sun., Feb. 19 - Acrylic painting: Key West houses with Lynn Sherman. 9 - 12, with lunch. The Studios of Key West at the Armory Building, 600 White Street. info@tskw.org or call 305-296-0458.

Wed., Feb. 21 - Sandford Birdsey. New watercolors of Key West, France and Spain. One night only. Reception from 5:30 - 8:30 p.m. Curry Mansion Inn, 511 Caroline St., Key West.

Fri., Feb. 23 - March 1 - "Student Art Show." Open Daily 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Artists In Paradise Gallery, Winn Dixie Shopping Center, Big Pine Key. 872-1828.

Sat., Feb. 24 - March 4 - Purple Isles Art Guild 41th Annual Members Judged continued on page 23

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# Artist of the Month Bruce Gorczycki



The Coconut Telegraph has chosen owner and operator of Riki Tiki Tatu Bruce Gorczycki as Artist of the month because we have seen some really terrible tattoos go into his shop and come out transformed into wondrous works of art. His designs are bright, colorful, and detailed.

Bruce started tattooing in 1985 under the tutelage of the late Kenny Pullman of K&B Tatooing in Hightstown, New Jersey. Over the years he has had the opportunity to learn from some of the best tattooists in the country and he continues to refine his skills to this day. Through his art he has had the opportunity to tattoo people from all walks of life, including celebrities, rappers, rockers, and professional athletes. "I've had the pleasure of being in music videos, cast parties for movie openings, and getting to work on some truly fantastic people!", says Bruce.

Bruce arrived "South of Reality" in 2000 and he and his business partner, Judy Haase, opened Riki Tiki Tatu in 2003. "The studio is my vision of the Keys and it has grown into a kind of island eclectic style. We have tried to create a truly interesting and artistic environment. We've put together a staff

that is talented, helpful and friendly," says Bruce.

Along with a large selection of stock designs, "Tattoo Bruce" specializes in custom work and has an extensive research library, internet and imagination to make your ink dreams a reality. He works in all styles of tattooing from portrait work to New School madness. Bruce is HIGHLY trained in cover-up and repair work and says, "Come see me and we'll turn that embarrassment into something to be proud of! We are also currently perfecting a new technique to perform traditional Polynesian style Tap-stick tattooing in a safe, sterile way, and hope to offer this style very soon."

Bruce is a member of the Alliance of Professional Tattooists and follows the guidelines of the Association of Professional Piercers. They offer a full range of body piercing done with the highest quality titanium jewelry available.

Stop in and check out the huge selection of jewelry, aftercare products, and the finest tobacco accessories.

If you have any questions stop by mile marker 97.5 oceanside. Just look for the purple zebra and you're at Riki Tiki Tatu.

International Reggae Artist



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Saturday, Feb. 3rd • 1-5 pm

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