

Frank Carmelitano

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of Miami under many of the same teachers as Pat Metheny.

Frank plays a nylon-stringed acoustic-electric Taylor guitar, giving the soft sound of classical guitar music. Using nylon strings instead of steel strings was an intuitive choice, marrying his two paths of study, classical guitar and jazz. He likes an "organic" sound, and these strings bend and respond more subtly to give the nuances he creates. Frank's style combines jazz and classical with Latin and pop influences for a completely original blend.

As I stood by the rail listening to Frank play Paul Simon's "Slip-slidin' Away", I heard the clink of glasses and the hum of contented conversation - the right mix of ingredients for a perfect

Sunday.

Frank plays for Sunday brunch year round, and he adds Saturday afternoons in the busy season. He also plays all around South Florida, from South Beach to Ft. Lauderdale to Palm Beach.

Frank's current schedule at Snapper's:

Saturday afternoon - 2:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Sunday brunch & afternoon - 11:30 - 3:30 p.m.

See the Snapper's ad on the back page for more information. Snapper's - MM 94 - Oceanside. 305-852-5956

You can hear the title song from Frank's CD "Amazonas" at www.isound.com/frank_carmelitano and his CD is available on iTunes.com.

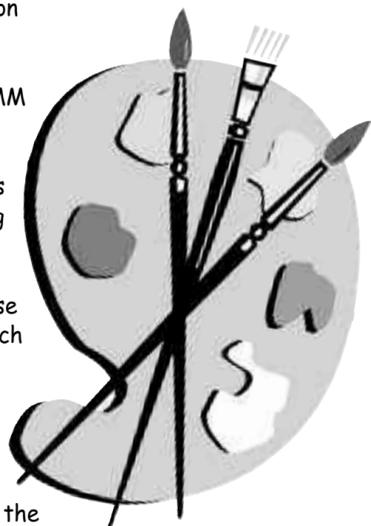
Purple Isles Art Guild

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Many artists like Millard have made the Purple Isles Art Guild the venue to meet other artists who think and live art every day. Artists like Joe Cella, who loved and lived art is now honored with the Joe Cella Memorial Award for "Birds in Nature", which will be held on Friday, February 27 in conjunction with the Upper Keys Garden Club Walk on MM 94 Bayside.

Throughout the years, members of the Purple Isles Art Guild have been meeting weekly to paint on location, Plein Air. They were named the "Brown Baggers", because they used to carry their lunch on site. Artists like Shirley Shuman, Morna Strengholt and many others have taken an impressive number of awards with their mastery of the brush. Now the

Plein Air Group meets every Wednesday at the Bayside Grille. MM 100, behind Cafe Largo and enjoy lunch at the restaurant, which provides great vistas and shelter from the elements.

Check out our website: www.purpleislesartguild.com.

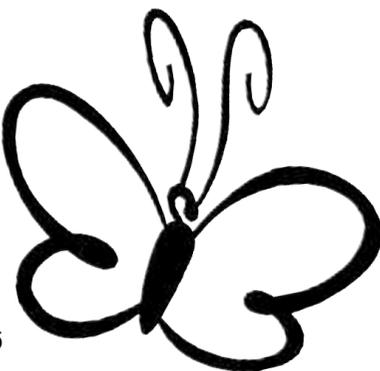


Can't Watch the Crocodiles, Enjoy the Butterflies

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native plants, so you can identify unfamiliar foliage. Take your time, or you might miss the sculptures among the shrubbery.

Although Rt. 905 was just on the other side of the thick tree line, we felt as if we had entered a magical space that took us to a completely different world. After our visit with the "flying jewels" sparkling in the sunlight, we emerged refreshed and went on our way.

This "refuge within a refuge" is only a small area, but it's definitely one worth taking the time to see. The Crocodile Lake Wildlife Refuge is on Rt. 905



in Key Largo, 1.8 miles North of Rt. 1, just past Dagny Johnson Key Largo Hammock Botanical State Park on the other side of the road.
For more information about the refuge, go to: www.fws.gov/refuges/profiles/index.cfm?id=41581.

F. True Lansden, MD

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of the American Board of Plastic Surgery. He is also a member of the American Society of Aesthetic Plastic Surgeons and the Southeastern Society of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgeons.

Through the years he missed the beauty and lifestyle of the Keys so one day the family packed their bags and moved here permanently. Dr. Lansden practices at The Florida Keys Center for Plastic Surgery and is Chief of Surgery at Mariner's Hospital. He also has an office at the Ocean Reef Medical Center and is the only Board-Certified Plastic Surgeon practicing exclusively in the Florida Keys.

We felt that the best way to display his work is with

these astonishing before and after photos of actual patients.

For 20 years Dr. Lansden has helped thousands of people look and feel their best. His goal is to exceed his patient's expectations.

I had the opportunity to see some of his work. A friend of mine was in a car accident and had his hand crushed. Dr. True took it from a mangled mess to a fully functional hand with amazingly few scars.

To find out more contact The Florida Keys Center for Plastic Surgery, 91550 Overseas Hwy, suite #205, Tavernier. 853-0032 or visit www.trueplasticsurgery.com It won't take long for you to find out that this is a plastic surgeon that truly cares for you.

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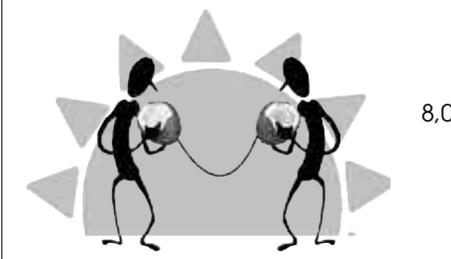
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