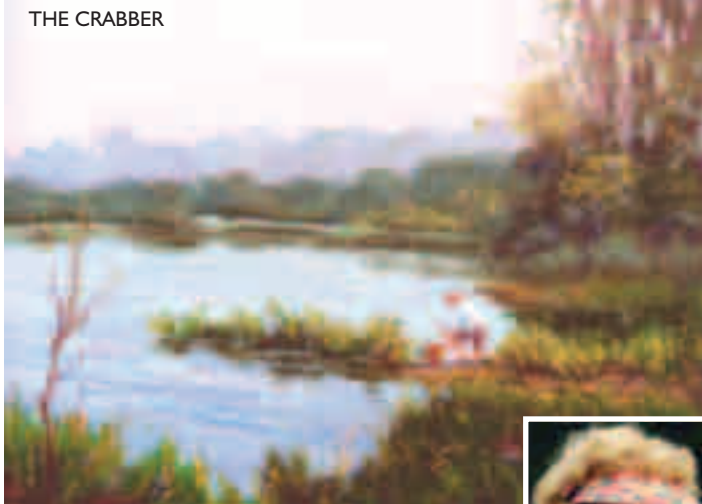


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LOW COUNTRY Allure

*Bobsy Simes at Hilton Head
Art League Gallery*



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The Hilton Head Art League is featuring local artist Bobsy Simes and her collection of oil paintings in a show titled “Low Country Allure,” at the art league gallery from April 13 through May 8. An opening reception will be held in the evening of April 13 from 5:00- 7:00 p.m. The public is invited to meet this well-known artist and discover how the Lowcountry cast its spell upon her work. She works in plein air, giving expression to her passion for “bringing the beauty of the area into peoples’ awareness and sharing with them her love of the landscape.”

Using the analogy of poetry to express her painting style, Bobsy Simes says, “Stories tell you much more about a subject and leave little to the imagination, while poems use limited words to pique the imagination of the participant.” Bobsy’s paintings are pure poetry. Her paintings invite the viewer to participate in the unfolding drama of nature’s wonders. Since moving to the Lowcountry in 1987, she has found the ever-changing marshes around her Moss Creek home to be an irresistible inspiration.

Born in New York City, Simes earned BS and MA degrees at Adelphi University and New York University at New Paltz. When she and her husband moved to Dallas, Texas, she taught language arts at the Hockaday School while taking classes in cartooning with Richard Rhuel, a Disney animator, and freelancing as a graphics illustrator.

Bobsy attributes much of her success as a recognized Hilton Head artist to her good fortune in meeting and studying with Yvonne Stark, who introduced her to the excitement of working with oil and vibrant colors. In late 1992, Bobsy founded the Low Country Artists, a group of 25 artists that exhibits regularly at the Frasier Museum in Sea Pines. In addition to the CSA Gallery, Bobsy’s work can also be seen at the Society

of Bluffton Artists’ Gallery in Bluffton and the Hilton Head Art League Gallery in Pineland Station, where she has been the featured artist on two separate occasions since 1998.

Ms. Simes’ artwork has been recognized in Dallas and the Southeast. She has won awards in Beaufort, Island Scene Magazine, and participates in many group exhibitions for art associations and organizations in South Carolina. Bobsy particularly admires, and is influenced by, the California impressionists and Wolf Kahn. Her palette is limited to five colors, and she strives to capture the effect of light and shadow on the Lowcountry landscape.

The Hilton Head Art Gallery in Pineland Station is open Monday through Saturday from 10:00 a.m. till 6:00 p.m. The gallery features the artwork of its members, representing over 100 local artists and artisans. For fine art in all mediums, as well as quality prints, jewelry, notecards, woodturnings and sculpture, the gallery is the place to visit. For additional information, call the gallery at 843-681-5060.

The Hilton Head Art League is a not-for-profit, membership organization dedicated to promoting the visual arts in the community and encouraging the development of the art skills of its members. For more the 30 years, the league has been the visual art center of Hilton Head. The league also holds week-long workshops featuring nationally renowned art instructors, teaches classes at the Hilton Head Art League’s Art Academy, and provides scholarships to graduating high school students pursuing careers in the visual arts. — Irene K. Williamson