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New Exhibit at the Heritage Museum ***“Images of Florida” Now through June 16***

Valparaiso, FL - An exhibition of original oil paintings by Santa Rosa Beach Artist Dorothy Starbuck is now on display at the Heritage Museum of Northwest Florida. Patrick D. Smith, author of *A Land Remembered*, has this to say about the exhibit: “Dorothy Starbuck has captured the very essence of an enchanted land that has mesmerized people since the days of early Spanish explorers.”

On Thursday, June 14, Starbuck will offer a demonstration and informal discussion at 12:00 p.m. at the museum. This program is open and free to the public; however you may reserve space by call the Heritage Museum at (850) 678-2615.

Born and raised in Miami, Dorothy developed a love and passion for painting the natural splendor of our beloved tropical state. Her paintings mirror the beauty, color and tranquility in the hundreds of tropical landscapes unique to Florida. Dorothy’s paintings have been featured in the Florida State Capital in Tallahassee, at the Cannon House Office Building in Washington, D.C., in the permanent collection of the U.S. Air Force, and in various Florida museums. This is the artist’s first exhibition in Okaloosa County.

The Heritage Museum of Northwest Florida is located at 115 Westview Avenue, in historic Valparaiso. The “Images of Florida by Dorothy Starbuck” exhibit is free and open to the public. The museum is open Tuesday through Saturday, 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. For more information, contact 850-678-2615 or visit www.heritage-museum.org.

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