



Twenty new paintings by Amiri Farris for Beaufort's 300th

In celebration of the 300th anniversary of the City of Beaufort's charter, nationally recognized artist Amiri Geuka Farris has created 20 new paintings that honor the past and present and future of the City of Beaufort. His new works will go on display at the historic Charles Street Gallery May 28th through June 12. The opening reception is on Friday, May 28th, 5:30 to 9pm, and the public is invited to meet the artist.

"The city of Beaufort is renowned for its impressive Lowcountry feeling, antebellum architecture, and Gullah culture. I am honored to create Beaufort's beauty in my own unique style. In honor of Beaufort's tricentennial, the 20 moderate-sized paintings will be on sale for \$300 dollars as keeping with the theme," Farris explained. His work is highly collected and this will be a good opportunity to view and collect his new works.

Farris is known for his dynamic works of art. His works uses a social realist style combined with original imagery to create art that celebrates life and his contemporary experiences. Amiri's works are full of exuberant color and intimate personal experiences. His deep engaging layers invite you to look deeper into the painting, where images and colors dance across the canvas in an energetic display of expression.

Farris' work has been exhibited in major venues nationally and internationally, from the US. Capital in Washington D.C., to Paris, France and St. Petersburg, Russia. Farris was named the 2008 Artist-of-the-Year by Penn Center, and he works as a professor of art at The University of South Carolina Beaufort where he teaches studio and fine arts. His art work was featured as part of 2010 USCB's Golden Jubilee Celebrating 50 Years of Higher Education in the Lowcountry.

Charles Street Gallery is an established source for Lowcountry and international art, presented within a carefully renovated house surrounded by a lush garden in the middle of Beaufort's historic district. 914 Charles Street 29902, 843-521-9054, <http://www.thecharlesstreetgallery.com>