

## From Maui to Maine & Back to the Lowcountry

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The SOBA Gallery is happy to introduce Joan Moreau McKeever as the Featured Artist in November with her show entitled “From Maui to Maine and Back to the Lowcountry.” As you might expect the body of work is a range of scenes inspired by Joan’s travels, painted with skill and attention to detail. You can almost smell the salt air viewing her coastal landscapes and the scent of Plumeria in a gorgeous floral scene.

Joan is a native of Connecticut and has an art and music background, studying and performing violin, viola and voice. She was introduced to the world of art as a little girl encouraged by her “Uncle Teddy” – Ted Davies, a renowned woodcut artist – who sat her on a stool in his studio and put a piece of charcoal in her hand. Later she was mentored by Richard Montross, attended the Vancouver School of Art, then the University of Alaska, and later, the American Academy of Dramatic Arts in New York. Professionally she ran advertising companies in Alaska and Connecticut before joining The Wright Companies, as their award-winning Marketing and Creative Director. While raising her two boys she also became a very successful Realtor.

The longing for a return to the arts was prompted by Joan’s visit a few years ago to the

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