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## Sixth Annual Bay Life Art Exhibit is February 22

*Tierra Verde, FL* - Tampa Bay Watch plans their Sixth Annual Bay Life Art Exhibit on Friday, February 22 featuring eight distinguished Florida wildlife artists. It is a collaborative art exhibit and sale at the Tampa Bay Watch Marine and Education Center which is free and open to the public on Friday, February 22, 4:30-9pm. Meet the artists and enjoy a special guest appearance from Pulitzer Prize-winning author, Jack Davis at 7:00pm. Jack Davis will be available for autographs and be speaking about his book, *The Gulf: The Making of an American Sea*. Additionally there will be an art raffle, light snacks, and a donation bar, so bring the entire family! Artists generously donate a portion of all proceeds from art sales to support the mission of Tampa Bay Watch.

The 6th Annual Bay Life Art Exhibit will feature Karen Baker, Nathan Beard, Sandra Williams, Bill Castleman, Vivek Lakhotia, Bill Renc, Rasa Saldaitis, and Joyce Ely Walker who will show a wide spectrum of their work that reflects the beauty and complexity of our natural surroundings. The event takes place in the Tampa Bay Watch Community Room in Tierra Verde, a perfect setting to appreciate the beauty of Tampa Bay. A VIP invitation-only event for sponsors will take place Thursday, February 21.

The exhibit is free and open to the public, but space is limited so RSVP is required at [tampabaywatch.org](http://tampabaywatch.org) by 2/15/19. It will take place at the Tampa Bay Watch Marine & Education Center, 3000 Pinellas Bayway South, Tierra Verde, FL 33715. Tampa Bay Watch is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization dedicated to the protection and restoration of the Tampa Bay estuary through scientific and educational programs.

To learn more about the event, go to [tampabaywatch.org/baylife](http://tampabaywatch.org/baylife). This event is presented by Sabal Trust and sponsored by Cooper's Hawk Winery, Great Bay Distributors, Mary Ann & Gary Renfrow, Larry Weiner & Yvonne Grimm, Paradise News, Konica Minolta, and Island Flavors and 'Tings. Sponsorship and promotion opportunities are available by contacting Michelle Andersen, Tampa Bay Watch Special Events Coordinator at [mandersen@tampabaywatch.org](mailto:mandersen@tampabaywatch.org) or (727) 867-8166 x234.

*Tampa Bay Watch is a nonprofit 501 (c)(3) stewardship program dedicated exclusively to the charitable and scientific purpose of protecting and restoring the marine and wetland environments of the Tampa Bay estuary encompassing over 400 square miles of open water and 2,300 square miles of highly- developed watershed. Tampa Bay Watch involves more than 10,000 youth and adult volunteers each year in hands on habitat restoration projects. For more information, visit [www.tampabaywatch.org](http://www.tampabaywatch.org), or call 727-867-8166.*

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