Joe Cella was a well-known and well-liked artist who specialized in woodcarvings of birds in nature. He was born in Long Island, New York in a home that his grandfather built. He became an apprentice for a furniture maker when he was a teenager. Then he attended college and later taught shop and wood working to high school students. He retired to the Florida Keys continuing his love of art with full time carving of birds found in our natural surroundings. He was nationally known for his art; most known for staining each piece carefully so that the natural wood grain could show through. Joe was a wonderful gentleman as well as an outstanding artisan. You may view one of his "birds" which is on permanent display at the Key Largo Library

The winner of the Joe Cella Memorial Award and the four runner up pieces of art are honored each year by being displayed in the foyer of the Key Largo First State Bank at MM 98.

The Guild's Annual Members' Judged Art Show, will open February 28th in the community room at the Key Largo Library, and will be open to the public from 10 to 6 daily through March 10th. Come see the show, watch an artist painting on site and vote for the "People's Choice Award"

The mission of the Art Guild of the Purple Isles is to foster camaraderie, support and encourage visual artists with educational activities and venues for exhibiting their work and to develop a public awareness and appreciation of the visual arts throughout the community.

Meetings are held from November through April. The public is invited to attend all meetings. Annual dues to join AGPI are \$30 for an individual or \$35 for a couple or business.

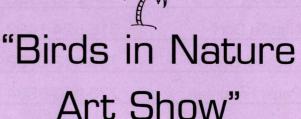
The Guild has a website with all current information and pictures from various events. Please visit it for more information. www.artguildofthepurpleisles.com

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Joe Cella Memorial Award



In conjunction with the Upper Keys Garden Club Walk

Friday February 22, 2013 Francis Tracy Garden Center MM 94, Bayside

	Name	Phone	Name of Entry	Medium	Price
10	Carmen Alex	305-781-3085	Pink in Paradise	Oil and acrylic	\$450
11	Sharon Anderson	305-453-3631	Purple Gallinule	Oil	\$400
12	Mary Border	786-999-3032	Great Blue Heron	Pastel	\$280
13	Tim Borski	305-852-9886	Oven Bird on Red	Acrylic	\$1900.
14	Sharon Braunberns	305-853-5938	The Squadron	Watercolor	\$225
15	Ingrid Brooks	305-600-6787	Flamenco Flamingo	Watercolor & India Ink	NFS
16	Wendy Cahill	305-395-1710	Low Tide	Acrylic	\$98.
17	Jackie Campa	305-453-1063	Nesting Pelicans	Acrylic	\$149
18	Buddy Campbell	305-453-9598	Triplets	Mixed	\$145
19	Kathleen Denis	954-593-3100	At Peace	Oil	\$1200
20	Natalie Dorf	516-524-1492	The Birds	Oil	NFS
21	Jacquie Dozier	786-412-0702	Great Blue with Pal	Photograph	\$35
22	Paula Friedman	773-860-8384	Ibis Closeup	Oil	NFS
23	Janice Lee	305-451-2726	Reserved Seating Only	Oil	\$125
24	Carol MacKenzie	305-731-6107	Sky Perch	Watercolor	\$300
25	Claudia Moriarty	305-433-1373	Blue	Oil	\$400
26	Gary Pursey	305-664-0511	A Watchful Eye	Photography	\$150
27	Cynthia Robbins	479-244-6746	In Step	Acrylic	\$300
28	Cris Sandifer	305-852-7494	Great Blue Heron	Digital Photo	\$50
29	Morna Strengholt	305-587-9409	Moorhen in the Everglades	Watercolor	NFS
30	Fran Twitchell	305-453-0069	Black Skimmers, Out for Lunch	Acrylic	NFS