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North Carolina Seafood Festival 35th Annual Commemorative Poster Unveiled

Morehead City, NC- The North Carolina Seafood Festival unveiled the 35th Annual Commemorative Poster on April 17th at Jacks Restaurant and Bar.

The 35th Annual Commemorative Poster is titled “Holy Mackerel” by North Carolina artist, and native of Greenville NC, Sydnor Greene.

Sydnor grew up in Eastern North Carolina and has always been drawn to the coast. She considers herself lucky to be living on the Crystal Coast where she finds inspiration from the water, often using coastal colors and images in her work. During high school she began to explore her interest in the art world by taking a variety of art courses and spending a summer studying art at the Rhode Island School of Design. She continued her studies in college with the University of Georgia Summer Abroad Program in Italy where she concentrated on painting. She obtained a Bachelor of Arts in Metals at East Carolina University where she also refined and expanded her interest in painting. She considers herself an eternal student with a passion and desire to continue to stretch the limits of her creativity in painting, ceramics, and jewelry design. Sydnor has always loved art and comes from generations of creativity and artistic women on both sides of her family. Her mother is a local artist and together they work and create in a variety of mediums. She recently opened SALT Gallery in Morehead City where she has a studio along with other artists. SALT Gallery is open to the public and provides an opportunity to meet and interact with the artist and see their work on display. The gallery also offers art workshops for both children and adults. Sydnor loves Carteret County and the Crystal Coast and is excited to be a part of the local art scene!

Ms. Greene was searching for something different as the subject of her entry for the official painting. She actually searched the web for North Carolina Seafood and up came the inspiration for her painting—a photo of Spanish mackerel. Ms. Green stated that it’s North Carolina seafood that can be caught fresh off our Crystal Coast and makes a delicious meal, hence making it a perfect fit for the North Carolina Seafood Festival poster. Sydnor is an artist that is inspired by her inner passion because “it feels right” she knew this was the right piece of her art to submit.

Dale Gillikin, 2021 Chairperson of the North Carolina Seafood Festival, expressed that she is delighted that Ms. Greene is the Festival’s Artist for this year’s milestone 35th as it is extra special for us to have not only a local seafood but another local artist to represent us this year! We are blessed to have so much talent in the area as many of our past artisans have been from this area as our requirement is that they are a resident of North Carolina.

The 35th Annual North Carolina Seafood Festival Commemorative Poster can be purchased online at www.ncseafoodfestival.org or at the NC Seafood Festival Office (412-D Evans Street, Morehead City, 28557).

The North Carolina Seafood Festival is a not-for-profit organization in Carteret County whose vision is to promote the positive social and economic impact of the seafood industry. To learn more about the North Carolina Seafood Festival and stay updated on the 2021 festival that will take place on the Morehead City Waterfront on October 1-3, visit www.ncseafoodfestival.org.

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