

Artist for 2013 BASS Unlimited Poster Announced

Norma Godwin is an artist whose entire life has been involved in one form of art or another. Most recently, she has been commissioned to create the 2013 BASS Unlimited Poster for the Toledo Bend Lake Association. From an early age, Ms. Godwin's parents introduced her and her five siblings to classical music through piano lessons, ballet, and other performing arts. Her special love has always been drawing, and other forms of hands-on art—as a child Crayons were never far from her reach. In her first paintings she used a monochromatic color palette that created using one tube of black oil paint and one tube of white oil paint to paint ducks flying in a marsh. It was not long before she was able to add other colors to her palette.

Although Artist Godwin has taken lessons from several professional artists, most of her knowledge and techniques come from reading and experimentation. She is inspired by the natural world and all its creatures, preferring to paint in a style she calls realistic impressionism. Landscapes, with or without animals, and still-life continue to be her favorite subjects to paint. She uses acrylics and watercolor to prepare her creations, but she prefers oil paints. She has also created woodcarvings and, in recent years, has applied her talents to creating beautiful quilts and making one of a kind Santa Dolls with faces sculpted from clay.



Mrs. Godwin lives on the Texas side of Toledo Bend Lake, just south of Hemphill in the Fairmount area. She is married and has been blessed with four married children, ten grandchildren, and nine great-grandchildren. This family keeps her very busy, but she still finds time to teach a wonderful group of students who share her love of painting.

The poster unveiling is scheduled for 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 7, 2013, at the Cypress Bend Resort Grand Ballroom on beautiful Toledo Bend Lake. Artist Godwin will be attending this function to personalize the numbered and signed posters. She also plans to attend the Bass Unlimited Banquet and Auction on Friday, April 19, 2013. The unveiling event is open to the public and has no admission charge.

The 2013 Bass Unlimited Poster can be ordered now. Unframed posters sell for \$20 each and framed posters sell for \$40 each. They will be available for pick up at the Poster Unveiling. To order your poster, send a check or money order to the address shown here. Make checks payable to *Bass Unlimited of TBLA*:

Bass Unlimited of TBLA
Poster Coordinator
P. O. Box 1031
Many, LA 71449

For Bass Unlimited Poster collectors who want to add the same numbered poster to their collection, indicate on your check the poster number you want to reserve for pick up **after** the Unveiling. Collector-specific numbers are guaranteed available until **Friday, February 22, 2013**. If you would like your poster personalized, enclose a note with the wording to be used.

Posters from 2003, 2004, 2005, 2009, 2010, and 2012 are still available. The cost is \$15 each. In addition, several of the artist proofs from the 2011 poster are available for \$40 each. To have posters mailed, add \$8 to the cost of the poster(s) to cover shipping and handling, regardless of how many posters you order.

The Toledo Bend Lake Association is made up of citizens deeply interested in the community in which they live and who are involved in the betterment of the Toledo Bend Lake area. The association has no political affiliations with any state or federal agency. It is a non-profit organization.

The Bass Unlimited Banquet and Auction is the Association's major fundraiser. For more information about Bass Unlimited or TBLA, pre-paying for a poster, and having your poster personalized and ready for immediate pickup after the Unveiling Auction, contact the Poster Coordinator at 318-590-0599 or go to www.toledo-bend.com/tbla/.