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***Water Dance: A Painter's Pilgrimage* Exhibition**

MANITOWOC, Wis. — In the Wisconsin Maritime Museum's latest exhibit, ***Water Dance: A Painter's Pilgrimage - An Exhibit Exploring Wisconsin's Waterways***, local artists Bonnita Budysz and Robert Theaker welcome you to enjoy the natural beauty of our waterways through over 30 of their original paintings in oil and watercolor.

This exhibition is the result of a multi-year, visionary collaboration by artists Bonnita Budysz and Robert Theaker. With this exhibition, the Wisconsin Maritime Museum presents their artworks that showcase and celebrate the story of water in northeast Wisconsin. As seasoned outdoors people, Bonnita and Robert have canoed, hiked, explored, and painted en plein air, literally at the water's edge.

"The intention of the Water Dance exhibit is to educate and promote appreciation for the natural beauty, historical significance, and continuing need for preservation of our precious waterways. Your engagement, whether as a collector or art aficionado, as an avid supporter or caring conservationist, is welcome. Our waterways are at risk, and we applaud your involvement to secure the safety and vitality of our beloved rivers and lakes. With these artworks, and with this cultural and community collaboration, we celebrate and hope to inspire in you, a deeper connection to the source of all life, WATER." - Bonnita Budysz and Robert Theaker

The exhibition will be on display from January 20 – September 2, 2024.

The Wisconsin Maritime Museum welcomes all people to connect with our waterways through inclusive programming, engaging exhibits and a world-class collection. For more information, visit wisconsinmaritime.org or call (920) 684-0218.

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