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**ABOUT the COVER: STEVE RUSSELL** *The formal unveiling of a major public artwork, "Cultural Interface" by noted Texas artist Steve Russell was held December 7th, 2023, on the shores of Little Bay in Rockport". Spearheaded by the Rockport Cultural Arts District (RCAD), the initiative has been a joint project with the Aransas County Navigation District (ACND), and privately funded through donations from foundations, businesses, patrons, and fellow artists. The bronze sculptures recognize the multicultural heritage of Rockport, honoring those who have inhabited and explored Aransas County. A native of Rockport, Russell has created artwork over six decades, many of which celebrate Aransas County's landscape, wildlife, and history, as well as that of other parts of Texas and the world. Russell was recently named Rockport Artist Laureate by the Aransas County-Commissioners in tribute to his lifelong service to the area's artcommunity, honoring his work as a mentor, teacher and inspiration to generations of other artists. Throughout his career, Russell has been supporter of historical, environmental and conservation causes and organizations.*

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## Calendar of Events

### Rockport-Fulton

**Monthly:** Austin Street Art Walk is held on the second Saturday of each month from 10am-7pm is a walkable art experience along Austin St. in the Rockport Cultural Arts District. For Information: [www.RockportArtCenter.com](http://www.RockportArtCenter.com)

**Monthly:** Downtown Rockport Maker's Market the Second Saturday of every month and shop the outdoor market featuring handmade items from local artisans in the Courtyard of the Daily Grind located at 302 S. Austin St. For Information: Contact **Michell Mock-McMahon** at the Daily Grind

**Trunk Shows:** The Bead Studio has trunk shows regularly! Check their webpage for dates and times at: [www.BeadStudioTexas.com](http://www.BeadStudioTexas.com)

**February 9-10th:** 22nd Annual Lamardi Gras. A trip over the bridge to Lamar and see how the native "Lamarians" celebrate Mardi Gras, Texas style. Lamar Volunteer Fire Dept. 302 Bois D'Arc. For information: [www.LamardiGras.com](http://www.LamardiGras.com)

**July 16-7th:** 53rd Annual Rockport Art Festival. A weekend of beautiful juried fine art, music and fun to benefit the Rockport Center for the Arts. For Information: [www.RockportArtCenter.com](http://www.RockportArtCenter.com)

**February 10-11th:** Rockport Clay Expo. Two day annual event with over 60 potters and clay demos. The Bountiful Bowl Pottery Fair For Information: [www.RockportArtCenter.com](http://www.RockportArtCenter.com)

**March 7-10th:** 45th Annual Fulton Oysterfest. A salute to the oyster industry with plenty of food, arts & crafts. For information: [www.FultonOysterfest.org](http://www.FultonOysterfest.org)

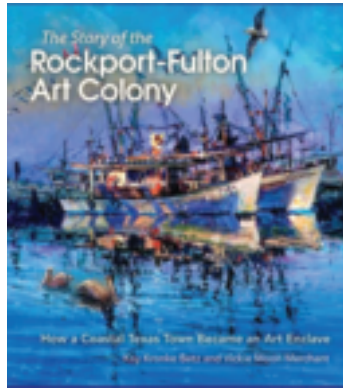
**May 4-5th:** 23rd Annual Nautical Flea Market at Rockport Harbor. Clean out your dock box, get a booth and sell your treasures. For information: [www.rockportyachtclub.org](http://www.rockportyachtclub.org)

**May 17-18th:** 23rd Annual Babes on the Bays Fishing Tournament. Biggest women's tournament on the planet! For information: [www.BabesOnTheBay.com](http://www.BabesOnTheBay.com)

**May 25th:** 27th Annual Rockport Festival of Wine and Food at the Texas Maritime Museum. See [www.TexasFestivalOfWines.com](http://www.TexasFestivalOfWines.com)

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# Family Fun



**THE ABC'S OF THE ROCKPORT-FULTON ART COLONY: ARTISTS AND THEIR INSPIRATION** by Kay Betz and Vickie Merchant has been released as a children's book. It is a companion publication to "The Story of the Rockport-Fulton Art Colony: How a Coastal Town Became an Art Enclave," which will be released by the Texas A&M University Press in April 2022. Featuring a cover by legendary Rockport artist Steve Russell, A&M has had to postpone the release because of Covid. Both books' proceeds have been donated to the History Center for Aransas County by the authors. The ABC book is available at the History Center, the Center of the Arts, Chamber Visitor Center, New Beginnings and the Daily Grind. H.E.B. Tournament of Champions funded both books. More information available at: <https://www.TheACHistoryCenter.com>

**THE ROCKPORT CULTURAL ARTS DISTRICT** has unveiled the larger than life bronze sculpture series by Steve Russell "Cultural Interface" at the Beach. This is a must see on your trip to Rockport! More information is available on this project and Steve Russell can be found on page 16 of the Rockport Guide. <https://RockportCulturalArtsDistrict.com/Cultural-Interface-Major-Public-Art-Initiative/>.

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The 1800's Queen Anne cottage houses galleries, a gift shop, and a library for onsite reading. KACB hosts a Plant Exchange on the second Saturday of most months, 10am-12pm. Programs featuring talks related to exhibits are offered on several Sundays each month and the galleries are open Monday & Friday 10am-2pm and Saturday & Sunday 1pm-4pm. Up to date schedule can be found on the website: [www.theACHistoryCenter.com](http://www.theACHistoryCenter.com)

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The History Center  
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for more information  
and exhibition dates  
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**SANDPIPER LANE** the Coastal kids store, is Rockport's new, adorable children's boutique! You can find everything for kids there from clothing to beach toys to room decor. Need a unique baby shower gift? This is the place for one of a kind baby items and cute outfits. Sandpiper Lane has lots of fun arts and crafts, toys, stuffed animals and a Candy Shoppe with over twenty different flavors of cotton candy. They've also included your fur babies with dog and cat toys & treats, as well as gifts for pet parents. They are located at 1700 Hwy 35 N in Rockport. Hours open are: Mon-Sat 10am-5:30pm & Sun 12:30pm-4pm. Visit on line at [www.SandpiperLaneKids.com](http://www.SandpiperLaneKids.com)

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**"CULTURAL INTERFACE"** The formal unveiling of a major public artwork, "Cultural Interface," by noted Texas artist Steve Russell was held on the shores of Little Bay in Rockport. Spearheaded by the Rockport Cultural Arts District (RCAD), the initiative has been a joint project with the Aransas County Navigation District (ACND), and privately funded through donations from foundations, businesses, patrons, and fellow artists. The bronze sculptures recognize the multicultural heritage of Rockport, honoring those who have inhabited and explored Aransas County. A native of Rockport, Russell was chosen as the cover artist for a 2022 Texas A&M University Press book, "The Story of the Rockport-Fulton Art Colony: How A Coastal Texas Town Became an Art Enclave." Throughout his career, Russell has been a supporter of historical, environmental and conservation causes and organizations. Jennifer Day, RCAD's Executive Director, noted, "We have been honored to lead the effort to have Steve's sculptures become a reality. They are an impressive addition to Rockport's public artwork, reflecting our heritage for many generations to come." <https://Rockport-CulturalArtsDistrict.com/support/>

**STEVE RUSSELL** is a native Rockport artist well known for his coastal scenes of the Texas Coast. Steve captures the simplicity, natural beauty and tranquility of the vanishing Texas Gulf Coast fishing communities with a durable clarity. His work has expanded with scenes of his travels of United States and Europe. He has originals, Giclee prints on canvas and archival paper in sizes from 8 x 10 in up to 30 x 40 in. Many of the prints have been individual enhanced by the artist's hand which makes them each one of a kind. Visit Steve's website to see some of his amazing artwork at

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Every June and July, RCA hosts it's flagship summer program **ART SPACE: Summer Art Exploration** for kids & teens. Local children entering grades 1-8 in the upcoming school year are able to attend a full week of Art Camp for free. During the week we expose children to as many art media as can fit into a week including drawing, painting, mixed media, collage and even pottery! This summer will be the 26th annual summer season.

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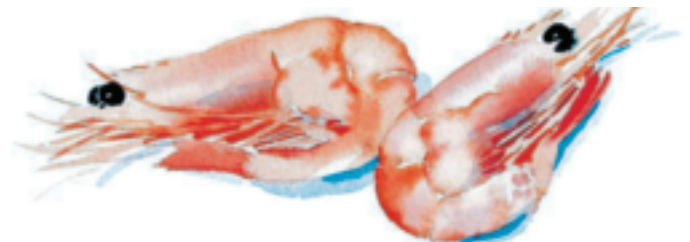
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# Gourmet and Specialty eats...

**LIGHTHOUSE LIQUORS** is celebrating their 22nd Anniversary!! They offer an eclectic selection of wines, fun champagnes for any occasion and the most unique collection of liqueurs in the area. There is an amazing selection here and customer service is 5 star! Find a myriad of hand crafted Tequilas and exotic rums in the "Party Shack". Gourmet foods from smoked tenderloin to delicious blended cheeses will delight your taste buds! And don't forget to browse the specialty barware, unique gift ideas along with great greeting cards and much more! Conveniently located in the Live Oak Plaza next to Popeye's. Stop in and get acquainted! Open from 10 AM until 8 PM Monday through Saturdays. **361-729-8500**

**GOIN' COASTAL OUTFITTERS** is the newest addition to our downtown shopping! Stop by and shop the "Coolest T-Shirt Shop in Town". It is not just your average T-Shirt Shop, their shirts are designed in house and are uniquely Rockport. You can't leave Rockport without grabbing a scoop of Blue Bell at the Ice Cream Bar or a snowcone inside of Goin' Coastal, and strolling the streets of Historical Downtown Rockport. GC is located at 103 S. Austin St. in the Cultural Arts District. Visit our website for our seasonal hours. **www.GoinCoastalTx.com**

**ROCKPORT DAILY GRIND** They say where there's coffee, there's joy and you will find it here! Add some local flavor to your mornings and afternoons. Enjoy a cup of their specialty roasted signature coffee blends such as Coastal Live Oak, Sandy Bottom Pecan, Rockport Unlimited or the Copano Sunset Decaf. On offer are gourmet lattes, cold brews, frappes and flavored iced teas, along with a delicious assortment of sandwiches, homemade baked goods and yummy snacks. Their courtyard is the home of the Downtown Rockport Maker's Market! Their Maker's Market is held the second Saturday of every month. Don't miss out!! Check their website at: **www.RockportDailyGrind.com** and like their Facebook page, or send them an email: rockportdailygrind@yahoo.com. Rockport Daily Grind is located at Merchant's Square in the Rockport Cultural Arts District, 302 S. Austin St., on the corner of Wharf and Austin. Hours: 7am to 12pm Monday & 7 AM to 3 PM Tuesday to Saturday. **361-230-1895**

**TROPICAL SMOOTHIE CAFE** serves better-for-you smoothies, salads, wraps, sandwiches and flatbreads. Stop by and try the fan favorite Island Green or Sunrise Sunset. Located at 2355 State Highway 35 N. next to the AT&T store in front of Walmart. Open: Monday-Friday 7am-9pm, Saturday 8am-9pm and Sunday 10am-7pm. In a hurry? Order ahead, skip the line and earn rewards through the **Tropical Rewards App**. **www.Rockport-Guide.com**

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MARGARITAS (PROVIDE 1/2 GALLON)	11:00AM
GUMBO (DONATE CONTENTS)	11:30AM
RIBS (DONATE CONTENTS)	12:00PM
POTATO SALAD (DONATE CONTENTS)	12:30PM
BRISKET (DONATE CONTENTS)	1:00PM
CHILI (DONATE CONTENTS)	1:30PM

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