

Press Release

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**Artwork by Joan Jones**

***Wine, Women and a Few Good Men***

**Exhibition Dates: October 1-November 30, 2009**

Carina Cellars is proud to feature the artwork of Lompoc artist Joan Jones, which will be on display in their tasting room in Los Olivos throughout October and November. Jones' passion for the human figure will be evident in this show, which will include pastel and watercolor originals from live models, as well as giclee fine art prints of the same.

"Both men and women model for workshops I participate in, and I love working on each – the male for his more pronounced muscle definition and the female, no matter her size, for her curves," Jones said.

With a fine winery showing her work, Jones will also include pastel paintings and prints of local vineyards, hence the show's theme.

Although Jones considers watercolor her primary medium, recently to prepare for this show, she has worked more in pastels, a medium suited to her skills as a draftsman.

From childhood Jones knew she wanted to be an artist, and majored in studio art at Grinnell College (Grinnell, IA). Upon graduation she had an extended career with both the YWCA and the American Red Cross in Iowa, Texas, Virginia, and finally, California.

"As with many of us, I am a "work-in-progress." My studies will never be complete, but this area to me is the 'mecca' for all the arts, including the visual arts. I feel so very lucky to have landed here," Jones said, adding that, "the Lord has blessed me with good health, good teachers, and the support of family and friends in the pursuit of my craft."

Jones, a member of Santa Ynez Valley Artists' Guild, Santa Barbara Art Association, and Lompoc Valley Art Association, lives in Vandenberg Village with her husband Dick.

Visit the Carina Cellars Tasting Room, 2900 Grand Avenue in Los Olivos to view Jones' art. Open daily from 11AM-5PM, her artwork will be displayed between October 1 and November 30. For more information go to [www.carinacellars.com](http://www.carinacellars.com) or call the Tasting Room at (805) 688-2459.

**Attached Image Information:**

"Dancing Damsels"  
Watercolor/charcoal