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## Sixth Annual Poster Contest

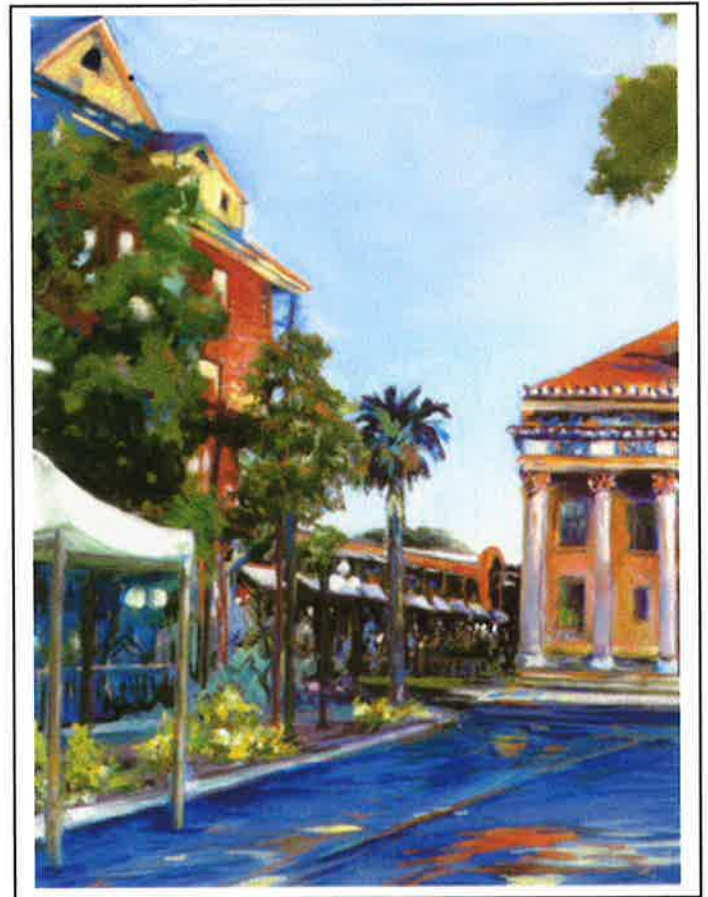
### Best Representation of an Area

**2001 Downtown Festival & Art Show  
Gainesville, Florida**

**Artist: Kathleen Wobie**

“This classic image, a landscape painting of historic downtown Gainesville, clearly depicts the type of scene you are going to find when you go there to view the artwork. It is a very inviting ‘picture’ that speaks well of the Florida area the show is held in and portrays a hint of familiarity and warmth.

The poster works very well and immediately draws the viewer’s attention. It’s a wonderful representation that gets people involved in the historic Florida setting and the event that’s going to take place.”



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**“A Small City Makes a Big Mark in National Poster Contest”**

**GAINESVILLE** – The City of Gainesville’s Department of Cultural Affairs is proud to announce its *20<sup>th</sup> Annual Downtown Festival & Art Show* poster as a national winner of the “Sunshine Artist Magazine’s Sixth Annual Poster Contest.”

The 2001 poster received recognition as the “Best Representation of an Area,” portraying historic downtown Gainesville late in the afternoon. The scene, which focuses on the Hippodrome State Theatre and Union Street Station, draws the attention of the viewer with its vibrant colors and conveys a hint of familiarity and warmth.

“I am so happy to hear about this award and to see the show’s continued success,” said poster artist Kathleen Wobie.

*Sunshine Artist Magazine*, a well known artist trade publication, honored festival posters from around the nation with awards such as ‘Best Layout,’ ‘Best Use of Typography,’ ‘Best Use of Color,’ ‘Most Creative,’ ‘Most Whimsical’ and ‘Best Abstract.’ The *Downtown Festival & Art Show* is only one of two Florida art shows that won a top award.

Stacey Breheny, locally recognized for her murals at the Florida Museum of Natural History, will present the poster for the *21<sup>st</sup> Annual Downtown Festival & Art Show* in November 2002. Breheny’s painting is a portrayal of sunlight and shadows on a sun-drenched corner in historic downtown Gainesville, on a fall afternoon.

For more information about the show or to purchase a poster, call (352) 334-ARTS or visit the website at [www.gvlculturalaffairs.org](http://www.gvlculturalaffairs.org)

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