



## Local Artist Celebrates Historic Tarpon Tournament

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**Sarasota, FL - April 15, 2010:** The Sarasota Sportfishing Anglers Club Tarpon Tournament Committee is excited to announce that it has selected the work of Sarasota artist Brendan Coudal to showcase its 80th Annual Tournament on limited edition shirts and select items. Brendan's painting 'Island Girl', in its mid-century style, depicts a young lady releasing a Tarpon while her dog eagerly watches. He created it with the tournament's milestone year in mind. Brendan has been involved in the tournament for several years and says "I'm honored to be part of this historic event. I not only love to fish for tarpon, but I also respect the all-release status of the tournament, its support of DNA research, and its alignment with local charitable organizations."

You've probably seen some of the artist's marinelife images that have graced shirts and promotional materials of the tournament over the last two years. His retro-styled paintings are really fun and will bring you back to simpler days. If you're familiar with artists like Elvgren, Sunblom and Vargas, you'll love Brendan's work.

The all-release event is **OPEN TO THE PUBLIC, for all ages**. Activities kick-off May 18 at an informational event at Hyatt Sarasota. Five weeks of fishing starts May 22. Cost is \$100 for adult/\$50 for juniors. Fish one day, one week or five weeks, and your name could end up on the historic trophy! Proceeds benefit Suncoast Charities for Children.

For details go to [www.sarasotatarpontournament.info](http://www.sarasotatarpontournament.info). To see more of Brendan's artwork, go to: [www.BrendanCoudal.com](http://www.BrendanCoudal.com)

Attached Photo: Artist Brendan Coudal with his new painting titled 'Island Girl'



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