

# "You Might Have KEYS DISEASE"

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Book sales benefit the Musician's Relief Fund in the Upper Keys

This 32-page book was created in the spirit of poking fun at our life here in the Florida Keys.

Written by Sue Beal with a little help from her friends, it was illustrated by the late John McKinna, a syndicated cartoonist.

The book was published and made available for sale so that the proceeds could help local musicians and their families.

Here in the Keys, we enjoy the music of so many talented, world-class musicians. Even as our community enjoys the fruits of their labors, we know the musicians have little to spare and have no safety net for when disaster strikes and they cannot

Our musicians are the first to sign up to make a community fundrasier or benefit a success.

Gilberts Resort funded the printing of the first edition, so all proceeds from the sale of this book will be used to help musicians in need.

#### Books are on sale at:

These locations also accept donations, or you can send a check to the Musicians Relief Fund, B.P.O.E. Elks Lodge PO Box 255, Tavernier, FI 33070-0255

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### Featured Artist of the Month: Keith Ousley

You may recognize him from Key Largo Publix in the meat department as Keith the butcher. Or off the clock, he's known as "Keef Paints," the marine artist. As far back as he can remember he's always had a pencil in hand. Over all of his other toys, his favorites were always pencils and sketch pads. He says, "It was my way of letting my imagination run loose and spill out onto the paper to create whatever I wanted, no rules, anything was possible if I could draw it, it was real."

Keith's art lessons began at a very young age, every Sunday sitting between his grandparents in the back pew of church. He scribbled away during the Sunday service on the back of the bulletin with whatever crayons and markers he had stuffed into his pockets that morning. Monster trucks, speedboats, sharks, whatever he could dream of. He filled Sunday's church bulletins with his "masterpieces." That was the only art school he has ever been to.

Now that Keith is 25 years old, not much has changed. He's traded in crayons and church bulletins



To this day he still scribbles drawings on the back of church bulletins during Sunday

Keith states, "My goal as an artist is to expand my body of work towards marine conservation. I believe in using my talents for what I love most and protecting the delicate ecosystem of the Florida Keys. If you agree with me and enjoy my artwork please come see it on display in the month of July at The Art Box."







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