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Murals Completed in Okaloosa County Administration Building

Local artist Elia Saxer has completed two murals in the Okaloosa County Administration Building (OCAB). One is dedicated to Okaloosa County's history in celebration of its centennial year in 2015, coinciding with the grand opening of OCAB. The other themed mural is the Emerald Coast emerald waters, Florida and fauna. The outcome – spectacular!

“We are very appreciative of what Ms. Saxer has done – it was an immense undertaking for Saxer, to donate her time and talent to creating art in the Administration Building,” said Commissioner Kelly Windes. Saxer also painted a mural at the new Okaloosa County Courthouse Annex Extension on Lewis Turner Boulevard in Fort Walton Beach, when it opened. “It was a great honor painting all these projects and telling the story of Okaloosa County,” said Elia Saxer. “I had fun!”

It all began through her involvement in Okaloosa Public Arts (OPA) and Okaloosa County is very appreciative of their organization and its commitment to Okaloosa County. OPA also held a juried art show and currently display art throughout the building, and are working on a new show. The organization's members are artists and citizens “who are committed to providing exceptional and meaningful art in public spaces through private donations.”

We encourage everyone to visit the Okaloosa County Administration Building and see this art in person where it comes to life. They are located in the main entrance foyer. For more information call or email Citizens Information Line at 311 and visit okaloosaf1.com.

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