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## The Highwaymen are Coming to Bunnell

**Bunnell, FL (February 27, 2020)** – On May 2, 2020 from 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM, the City of Bunnell is hosting "Artisans at the Crossroads," an art show and sale featuring The Florida Highwaymen and local artisans and craftsman.

The Florida Highwaymen were a group of twenty-six artists resourcefulness, speed and creativity from the 1950s and into the 1980s. The Highwaymen employed a unique painting style using oil-based paints on Upson board framed with crown molding as a means to assert their economic independence during and after the segregation era. Often painting from memory rather than sitting in front of the scene they were painting, the Highwaymen favored vibrant colors like greens, oranges and blues that often featured the sun or moon backlighting the scene.

The group of the Florida Highwaymen participating in this Festival will feature the original artists Al Black, Issac Knight, Robert (R.L.) Lewis, and Willie C. Reagan. Also joining the group will be Doretha Hair, widow of Alfred Hair who was an original member of the group.

## **Event Details:**

❖ WHERE: Coquina City Hall 200 S. Church Street, Bunnell, Fl.

WHEN: Saturday, May 2, 2020
 TIME: 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM

❖ WHAT: Local Artists; Local Craftsmen; Food Vendors; Kids Zone; Student Art Display

ADMISSION: Free

The is City is taking applications from possible vendors now. The cost to register is \$25.00.

For more information about participating in this event, please contact the Clerk's Office at 386-437-7500 x5.