

Up & Down the Isle

Artist Dorothy Powell paints CD cover for son

Late blooming artist Dorothy Powell of Guemes Island first picked up a paintbrush at age 57. Now 85, she has a business, Designs by Dorothy, and a Web site, www.dorothypowell.com. She recently completed her first CD cover for "Sunflower Serenity... Watercolor Odyssey" by the Candlelight Guitarist — who happens to be her son Bradley Powell.

Powell has been a resident of the area since 1995, when she moved near her children Alan and Linda and their families. Charmed by the ferries, shorelines, islands and architecture, she began creating and selling note cards featuring her art and photographs of the region. Her work has been particularly popular with tourists. She is an active member and past-president of Artists Northwest, an organization of professional and amateur artists that will have a show at the Depot Arts Center next month.



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"Sunflower Serenity" is the first CD in Bradley Powell's Watercolor Odyssey series, an instrumental musical journey featuring more than 60 minutes of guitar solos and diverse water and nature sounds, many of them recorded in this region.