



LAGCOE announces Tony Bernard as official poster artist for LAGCOE 2015

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LAFAYETTE, LA – Lafayette native Tony Bernard was selected to be the official LAGCOE 2015 Poster Artist after winning the 2015 LAGCOE Poster Contest, a contest that determined the image to be used on the biennial show's poster.

Bernard was born and raised in Lafayette, La. As a high school junior, he recognized his raw artistic talent. Since then, with no professional training, Bernard has built a successful career that includes winning multiple Louisiana Waterfowl Conservation Stamp Competitions, commissioning original artwork for local and regional festivals, professional sports teams, NASCAR and SEC sporting events. In 2008, Tony was commissioned to paint the official portrait of Louisiana Governor Bobby Jindal, which hangs in the Governor's Mansion in Baton Rouge.

Bernard's poster design of oilfield imagery painted inside of a fleur de lis perfectly captures the essence of the Louisiana oil and gas industry. The poster features smaller illustrations within the fleur de lis including a Gulf of Mexico oil rig, a helicopter, oil pipes, and two roughnecks. Bernard's design was selected as the official 2015 LAGCOE Poster out of 20 submissions.

"Our committee chose this poster as it is so visually impactful," said Tully Blanchard, Corporate Sales for HB Rentals and Young Professionals of LAGCOE Chairman-elect. "The artwork truly encompasses the values of the oil and gas industry and the iconic fleur de lis represents our proud south Louisiana heritage."

The poster was unveiled August 3, at The Petroleum Club during the 2015 LAGCOE Looey Luncheon. Traditionally, the poster is given to hundreds of LAGCOE volunteers and available to thousands of LAGCOE attendees at each show. Past posters have been collected for decades and reside in the offices of many dedicated LAGCOE volunteers, attendees, and industry leaders throughout the Gulf Coast.

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LAGCOE will be held October 27-29, 2015 at The Cajundome & Convention Center in Lafayette, LA. Celebrating 60 years of continuous operation since 1955, LAGCOE is a first-rate exposition where world class oil and gas industry companies display the latest equipment and services and technical sessions address pertinent issues from across the globe. In 2013, LAGCOE welcomed 416 exhibitors and 17,000 attendees from 47 states and 43 countries.

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