

[Island Charm](#) , (circa 2008) by [Rodel Gonzalez](#)
Original Acrylic on Canvas - Main Subject: Seascape



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Dimensions (As Shown)

20W x 24H x 0.75D Inches

50.8W x 60.96H x 1.9D cm

Medium

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About Rodel Gonzalez

Rodel Gonzalez is an artist of inspirational talents with a keen eye for seeing the beauty in the commonplace and grace in the ordinary. His story starts with an initiation into the art business through the tutelage of his father, Rick Gonzalez and grandfather, Felix Gonzalez, at the age of 9. "Growing up my father would always tells me to not be intimidated by the paint and be 100% sure about my intentions on my first stroke at the canvas, says Rodel. His explorations of color, form, and composition ignited a lifelong passion for the arts in its many forms.

He studied at the University of Santo Tomas, with a major in painting and went on to earn a degree in Interior Design from the Philippines School of Interior Design. This early training required perseverance in acquiring the skills and discipline that would prove to serve him well in future endeavors on his path to artistic freedom.

His artistry became evident in the field of music and at 20 he founded "Side A" in the Philippines. The band is still active today and is currently the longest-lived band in Manila. Rodel was the lead singer and the band's most prolific songwriter. His success in the music industry fulfilled a part of him, but exposed a desire for a more meaningful and deeper connection with his audience.

In 1994, Rodel embarked on a new journey. His talents were manifested as a minister in the service of others. Although busy with his official duties, he maintained his connection with art by doing commissioned portraits, murals, and sketches for friends and acquaintances.

In 2002, Rodel began in earnest his dreams of pursuing a fine art career. With inspiration and influence from his brother, Rudolf Gonzalez, and support from his cousin Roy Gonzalez Tabora, he has a newfound energy and dedication for his artwork.

When asked about his latest works for the Disney Fine Art portfolio, Rodel has said, "Having the opportunity to create Disney paintings is such a treat because Disney was definitely part of my childhood. I remember watching my first Disney films "Bambi" and "Snow White" and ever since I've been mesmerized by the succeeding Disney movies I've seen. I believe a painting is a mirror of the painter's understanding of an insight he has. The Disney paintings each involved such a strong concept that every brushstroke was a joyful anticipation of the finished product. The energy was very strong therefore my intentions were sure and refined. I would say that there was a lot of grace present on every painting.

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Acrylic paint is fast-drying paint containing pigment suspended in an acrylic polymer emulsion. Acrylic paints can be diluted with water, but become water-resistant when dry. Depending on how much the paint is diluted with water or modified with acrylic gels, mediums, or pastes, the finished acrylic painting can resemble a watercolor or an oil painting, or have its own unique characteristics not attainable with the other media. Acrylics were first made commercially available in the 1950s.

The main difference between acrylics and oil paints is the inherent drying time. Oils allow for more time to blend colors and apply even glazes over underpaintings. This slow drying aspect of oil can be seen as an advantage for certain techniques, but in other regards it impedes the artist trying to work quickly.

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