

"I had just arrived in Buenos Aires when Roberto (the translator from years before) informed me that Francisco had a gallery on the street I was living. I went to the gallery expecting to buy a piece of art or so and say hello as best I could. I ended up engaged to the artist instead" States Brooke. This moment in his life became a more carefree. experimental time which prompted Francisco to elaborate on a project called "Dance to your favorite song". This was an extension of his portraits and an attempt at capturing movement and the inner spirit of the person in a moment of freedom and happiness. He would set up a white canvas and simply ask tourists in the street to pick their favorite song and dance to it while he filmed them. The project was picked up by Asshire who added the creative collaborations of French DJ Linda Shaker and Argentine guitarist Javier Adaro to the project and "Dance" became a world wide traveling festival show.

In 2012 Francisco with his wife decided to see how his art would do in the states so they made the move back to her home town of Niceville. It's here Francisco has come up with one of his most signature styles the extended canvas pieces. His wife is a Sommelier and had stacks of wooden wine boxes that are too nice to throw away but were taking up a lot of space. Francisco decided to utilize the boxes to create pieces of 3D types of works that incorporate his portraits with an added element of depth and interest. He also recently began adding other found elements to his work including beach sand, burlap bags, spray insulation, and other reclaimed objects, further creating depth and a feeling of being apart of the painting itself. It's these works that have brought recognition in galleries around the country, festival awards, 2014 South Walton Painter of The year, Artsquest Poster winner, and South Walton 2015 Artist of The Year. "I've been so lucky to know this area, says Francisco, the people here is the USA and especially in South Walton have embraced me and I am so thankful." In 2015 Francisco and Brooke took a



month long road trip to France and instead of a photo album Francisco was inspired to drawing events of the day in his signature single line style. This marked a transition away from the more abstract lines to more of a story format. "Each picture contains something humurous." These story pictures have become one of his most popular and most fun pieces of art to date. "Everyday now I get a request for a custom story single line drawing to make for an anniversary, birthday, wedding etc. I love it because in fact it's something I've done all