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A TRIBUTE TO MOTHERS EVERYWHERE PAINTINGS BY DEBORAH CAVENAUGH

Carolina Style magazine is honoring two special moms in celebration of Mother's Day – Artist Deborah Cavanaugh and Poet Grace Freeman. Deborah is from Wilmington, North Carolina and began painting when her children gave her a paint set on Mother's Day in 1992.

Although she has been painting for only three years, her work has appeared in many private and public shows in North Carolina and all over the country.

Deborah feels that the common thread of her paintings is the concept and comfort of the home.

POET GRACE FREEMAN

When poet Grace Freeman of Brevard, North Carolina read the phrase, "Daughters seldom know their mothers as women, only as nurturers," she said, "it kept getting at me."

That gnawing feeling ultimately was to

nudge Freeman gently toward putting together a book of poems woven closely around mothers, hers in particular, and loosely around the female experience in general. The writing of "This Woman Called Mother" opened the poet's eyes

to her mother as a real person, even after her mother's death.

In the words of Grace Freeman in her
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