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Distinctive Designs, LLC

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*A laugh is a smile that lost control*

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Apollo and his golden chariot are certainly spending more time in the Valley of the Sun. Whew! Sometimes I question my sanity in choosing welding as my platform to express my art. Then I see a new face emerge from the metal and it makes me smile. Oh yeah, that's why!

Please help me spread smiles by sharing this newsletter with friends. To forward this message, please do not use the forward button of your email application, because this newsletter was made specifically for you only. Instead use the [forward page](#) in our newsletter system. ~ thank you

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**Looking for a funny face to add to your art collection?**

Here are a few sure to make you smile.



*Silver Fox  
aka George*



*Otter in the  
Universe*



*Perspective*

**Silver Fox aka George** While in WA, a silver fox ran across my path. He was so unique and beautiful, that I wanted to try and capture that moment in metal. When done, I asked my friend (who was with me at the time) if he looked like the silver fox. She joked that “he did not look a thing like George Clooney!” I nicknamed my silver fox "George" in honor of all the rare and elusive silver fox's out there.

**Otter in the Universe** Otter in the Universe is named after an Enneagram personality type number 5 with a 4 wing-my personality in fact. This happy-go-lucky character spends her days in search of fun and adventure. Reveling in the world around her, the otter slips and slides through the currents of life, her easy smile ready to share with all that she meets along her journey. Like the universe, *Otter in the Universe* holds a star in her paws. The water around her shimmers with little star-like crystals.

**Perspective** Perspective...while the sinking of the Titanic was to most, a tragedy, to the lobsters in the kitchen it was a miracle...For a short while I lived in Tucson and my home sat perched atop a tall, craggy hill. Below my abode, lived a den of coyotes. From my vantage point, I spent many mornings watching the antics of my neighbors. I was particularly fascinated by their organized hunting techniques. One such method involved high, aerobic leaps into the air to see their prey in the tall grass.

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*Laughter is an instant vacation – Milton Berle –*

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That's right, dhSeadragon Distinctive Designs, LLC is in print again!

Pick up the July edition of the Phoenix Home & Gardens Magazine.

Thank you Phoenix H & G for adding me to your Collectors Corner of up and coming artists.

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*It was the way you laughed...I knew I wanted that in my life – R M Drake –*

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### Need to get out? Want to see some dhSeadragon art in person?

**March Hares** are taking a tour of Cave Creek for the art in public places show that runs through September. They can be found at Town Hall located at 37622 N Cave Creek Rd. *\*this piece is still available to add to your collection*

**Besos Locos (Crazy Kisses) and Caballo Sonriendo (Laughing Horse)** ~ Have you been hiking over by the Shaw Butte Visitor Center (in Moon Valley off 7<sup>th</sup> Street and Thunderbird) and saw the 8 ½ foot tall, abstract horses? Yep, those are mine-some of my first creations. They were originally created on a lark after driving through south Phoenix and being inspired by the graffiti I found there. With the help of some Hispanic friends we came up with words to adorn the playful pair. Crazy Kisses is filled with words of passion, hugs, kisses, and romance, while her brother is all about action verbs such as; twirling, laughing, singing, and playing.

**Brix** ~ Spoiled Dog Winery in Langley WA is a wonderful place to stop in for some fortified grape juice. It couldn't be in a more scenic location and the Krug's will make you feel like a part of the family. Be sure to give belly rubs to the spoiled dogs, one of which is Brix. He has had his portrait done by dhSeadragon and it hangs in the tasting room. Bonus question Q: do you know what brix means? (hint, it's the sweetest name ever) 5881 Maxwellton Rd., Langley WA on Whidbey Island.

**Nevermore!** ~ The Poisoned Pen is Scottsdale recently acquired a dhSeadragon original. Nevermore! Is a nod to the Edgar Allen Poe story, The Raven. Stop in and say hi to the knowledgeable staff and let them guide you to your next "can't live without it" mystery series. Visit with the numerous authors that frequent the shop, and of course, enjoy the ambiance of this fun, eclectic, soon to be your favorite too, haven for mystery and mayhem (books).



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*You don't stop laughing because you grow older; you grow older because you stop laughing – Maurice Chevalier –*

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Some upcoming dates to put on your calendar.

**Sculpture Show** Oct 4-28 and **Veteran Art Show** through the month of November at the Sonoran Arts League 7100 E. Cave Creek Road Cave Creek, AZ

**Furry Friends Fine Art Festival** Oct 5 and **Natures Kingdom** Aug 28-Oct 5 at the Shemer Art Center 5005 E Camelback Rd. Arcadia, AZ

**Coupeville Art and Crafts Festival** Aug 9-11 at the Coupeville Rec Hall and waterfront. Coupeville, WA on Whidbey Island.

23<sup>rd</sup> annual **Hidden in the Hills** Nov 22, 23, 24 and 29, 30, Dec 1. 6925 Windstone Trail in Scottsdale, AZ

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*Today I choose to SMILE!!*

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Keep an eye out for dhSeadragon information in the beautiful 2019 Hidden in the Hills directory. This gorgeous coffee table style book is a collectors “must have” for Arizona artists. It will be available late Sept/early Oct.

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Pictured are some of the newest dhSeadragon sculptures ~ some of which are still available.

From left to right: *Ruby* (\*sold), *Poco Diablo*, *Scarlet*, *Blue Flame*, *Nevermore!* (\*sold), *Gotcha!*, and *King Hummingbird* (JJ)



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Check out my [Etsy online store](#) for pet food bowl holders, animal magnets, and greeting cards featuring dhSeadragon metal work (blank inside).

One the table are: *Windsong* (part of the Salish Sea baby whale collection), *Whistle Pig* a snapshot of the Ice Lakes, one of my favorite places in CO, and a secret surprise for the Phoenix Zoo-stay posted!

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**dhSeadragon Distinctive Designs LLC is a supporter of animal conservation efforts. As such, a portion of all sales go toward organizations that care for, and find homes for pets or rehabilitate, and give voices to our wildlife through safe havens and education.**

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In closing, a quote from the Minions:

*If it makes you smile, giggle, or laugh...do it again!!*

All the best!

**Dadra Hunt**

aka *dhSeadragon*

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