

Fall 2020



Skye, Robbie, & Rory (The Trio)

Well, the cats out of the bag...ehh dogs that is. Talk about a great gift and sooo cute! Here is the surprise commission - a sculpture of the "kids" for a unique birthday gift. Even though the pups were from different time periods, through the magic of art, they were all able to come together to make this special day, well... even more special!

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There is still a little time left if you would like to commission a pet portrait for the holidays. Choose from three different styles: multi-layer, two layer, or vignette. (Let me know if you have a custom design idea).



Stevie, Stanley, and Louis

Here are several ideas for Stately Statues to make the seasons bright...



Star J46 Artists have a unique opportunity, whether by written word, visual images, or sound, to raise awareness to issues and appeal for a call to action. As a wildlife sculptor, my special gift is to give a voice to the animals I depict.

A voice or voices rather, that I would like to make heard with this sculpture of Star J46 are those of the three pods of orcas that navigate the waters between Washington and Canada. The gentle giants stay in the area year round and are a delight to behold, but they are in need of our help. Due to many factors such as; pollution, disease, and starvation, these icons of the Pacific Northwest are at risk of becoming a memory. Efforts are being made to correct damages to their environment, but more involvement is needed. To hear their story and to find out more about the programs, adoptions, and ways you can lend a hand, please contact the Whale museum and Center for Whale Research in Friday Harbor, San Juan Island, WA www.whalemuseum.org

Star J46 is a beautiful 9 year old female in the J pod. The purchase of this sculpture comes with adoption papers for Star in your name. Adoption proceeds support the stewardship of the endangered resident orcas and the Salish Sea ecosystem.

Mori The Salt River Wild Horses are an Arizona icon. It is a great day if you have the opportunity to see these beautiful creatures in the wild. Sometimes though, they need a little help when they might not otherwise have had a good life. Such is the case of Mori. Mori was found alone on a rocky ledge by the Salt River Wild Horse Management Group. She had a deep wound on her face, a fractured skull, and was blind. The SRWHMG where able to nurse her back to health and she even regained her eyesight. Unfortunately, she is not able to go back into the wild. She will act as a spokes-horse for the group and live her life in comfort.

If you would like to symbolically adopt Mori, please contact the Salt River Wild Horse Management Group. BTW, did you know that a percentage of all dhSeadragon sales goes toward groups that protect, help rehabilitate, and act as stewards for our wildlife.

Poco Diablo and Blue Flame While sitting in my backyard having a cool drink, I am entertained by the tiny, jeweled, hummingbirds. In iridescent displays of colors, they climb, dive, swoop, and hover. Their short whistle-chirp reminds me of a child's toy.

Some cool facts about hummingbird, courtesy of The Cornell Lab of Ornithology.

- When courting, males hover eye to eye with their object of affection. They then climb upwards of 130' before
 plummeting in a near vertical dive, ending with an explosive "click" (caused by their tail feathers), right back
 where they started from.
- A group of hummingbirds are called a bouquet, a glitter, a hover, a shimmer, or a tune.

New ways of shining through a COVID haze

The virus has put a damper on getting out to an art show or gallery you say? That does not mean that the art cannot be found. Right now, dhSeadragon art can be found on the

web page www.dhseadragon.com and online store on Etsy. My art can be seen on Instagram, Linked In, Facebook, and Twitter as well. I have participated in online shows through National Sculpture Society, American Woman Artists, and Sonoran Arts League.

Need to get out? I hear ya!

Now showing dhSeadragon art:

One the Edge Gallery

7045 E. Main Street, Scottsdale, AZ 85251 M-S 10-5, Sun 11-5, Thu Art Walk 7-9 PM



Sculpture and 3-D Art Show

7100 E. Cave Creek Rd., Suite 144, Cave Creek AZ 85331 show runs Oct 2-26 with the open reception on the 2nd 2-6



Hidden in the Hills

 $Images\ Studio\ 6925\ E.\ Windstone\ Trail,\ Scottsdale,\ AZ\ 85266\ show\ runs\ Nov\ 20,\ 21,\ 22\ and\ 27,\ 28,\ 29\ 10-5$



Take a walk in some scenic foothills, sip some wine, or lose yourself in a good book. Here are some calming places to regroup.



Besos Locos (Crazy Kisses) and Caballo Sonriendo (Laughing Horse) Have you been hiking over by the Shaw Butte Visitor Center (in Moon Valley off 7th Street and Thunderbird) and seen the 8½ 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 Maxwelton 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).



Wow! dhSeadragon makes these too?!

Didn't make it out to the Phoenix Zoo for the Sassy the Okapi? Missed the debut of the burrowing owls? The sculptures have found their loving home, but you don't have to go without. Images of dhSeadragon sculptures are now available on blank greeting cards. The name of the piece and its story are on the back of the cards. Cards can be purchased individually or at a discount rate for packages of three. Go to dhSeadragon Distinctive Designs on Etsy to find the one that got away.

How about an animal magnet or ornament?

Show the love with special pet food bowl stands in three different sizes and styles. Stainless steel bowls included. *ask about "supersizing" with toys, treats, maybe even a pet portrait gift certificate.

Keep your eyes open for the winter 2020 newsletter for more upcoming shows and sculptures that will bring a smile to your face. Or visit the News section of www.dhseadragon.com

Hot off the table - some of the newest dhSeadragon sculptures-some of which are still available.

From left to right: Forest King, Lucy, and Sprocket



One the table now: *Tsegi at Baby Rock*-think wild horses and crazy rock formations up by Four Corners. *Rusty, Loki,* and *Connor* pet vignettes. And *Variables* my first attempt at interpreting dreams and making them tangible.

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.

Closing thought; What can you do to make the world a better place, to help out your neighbor, or bring a smile to someone's face?

All the best!

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