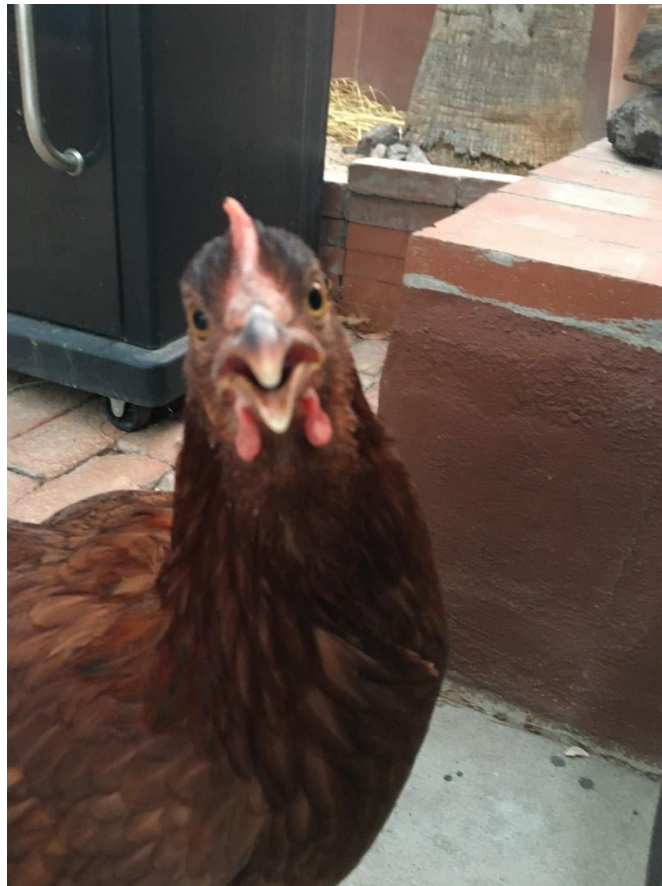




Fall 2020 2.0



*Start of Whaaa Whaaattt!!??*

Whaaa Whaaattt!!?? You missed the first weekend of Hidden in the Hills!? That's OK, there is still a little bit of time left this weekend. You do not want to miss this show though. We have a fantastic group of artists hoping to bring beauty and smiles to your life. See a little further down for the information for Images Studio #15 on the tour.



*Abra, Danni, and Dudley*

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



*Mueller's Watering Hole*

*Leafy Seadrail (dli)*

*Lil' Stud*

**Mueller's Watering Hole** Arizona has a lot of wildlife who call the arid landscape home. Ranging from the smallest of pack rats to large wild horses. Thankfully, many people lend a hand to the animals in our 100 + degree summers by putting out water. In fact, some friends delight in enticing critters to visit their little oasis. Photo opportunities abound while the animals wet their whistles then cool off in the shade. Thank you to the Mueller's for sending

photos of the baby bobcats at the watering hole. And thank you to the Martykas, Reynolds, and Walkers for the adult bobcat pictures which became the mama in this sculpture.

**Li'l Stud** You know the saying, "enjoy the simple pleasures in life", this was one of those moments. A friend of mine had been driving through the countryside enjoying the day when she happened upon a mama horse with a brand new baby. The baby was so new he still had iodine on his bellybutton! He had just realized what those long legs were for. He raced around and around, back and forth, jumping and bucking and kicking up dust. Had my friend driven on she would have missed all the fun, but as it was, ended up with some pretty fantastic pictures and a huge smile!

Here's a reminder to take a moment for the simple pleasures in life and find your smile.

**Leafy Seadragon (dh)** Sea dragons are near and dear to my heart. When I was a young girl my father nicknamed me Stabobo the Sea Dragon. He traveled a lot for work but when he came home he often came bearing gifts of dragons.

Fast forward to college, my class was given the assignment to come up with a pseudonym for our art. My class moniker was dhSeadragon (dh for my initials and Seadragon from my nickname). To this day most of my art is still signed dhSeadragon.

Fun facts about sea dragons and a nod to good dad's:

The male seahorses and leafy sea dragons care for the eggs. Seahorses carry the eggs in a pouch while sea dragons carry the eggs on a brood patch on their tail.

## A ray of sunshine 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](http://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 Distinctive Designs:

## One the Edge Gallery

7077 E. Main Street, Scottsdale, AZ 85251 Mon-Sat 10-5, Sun 11-5, Thu Art Walk 7-9 PM. Nearly forty AZ artists work out of the gallery in historic Old Town Scottsdale. Also offering a virtual gallery tour at [www.ontheedgegallery.com](http://www.ontheedgegallery.com)



## Hidden in the Hills

Images Studio #15 6925 E Windstone Trail, Scottsdale AZ 85266 show runs Nov 20, 21, 22 & 27, 28, 29. Not only will you find dhSeadragon Distinctive Designs here, but you will also see: Kathy Nelson's fine glass art, Byur (Bill) Gullwing's bronze sculptures, Linda Lindus' scenic paintings, and Billy Bodnar's wood carvings.





## Sit. Stay. Brunch 2020

Lost Our Home Pet Foundation will be holding a virtual pajama party and auction Sunday Dec 6 from 11am – 1pm. Enter for your chance to win a one-of-a-kind, custom pet portrait vignette by dhSeadragon. Proceeds benefit pets and people in crisis. Jan D'Atri will emcee the event and Letitia Frye will host the live auction. Visit [www.lostourhome.org](http://www.lostourhome.org) to join in the fun. Questions? Call 602-445-7387. Looking for a new furry friend this holiday? Adoptable pets will be featured in this event. Or, set an appointment to meet your new fur baby at Lost Our Home, 2323 S Hardy Dr., Tempe, AZ 85282



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

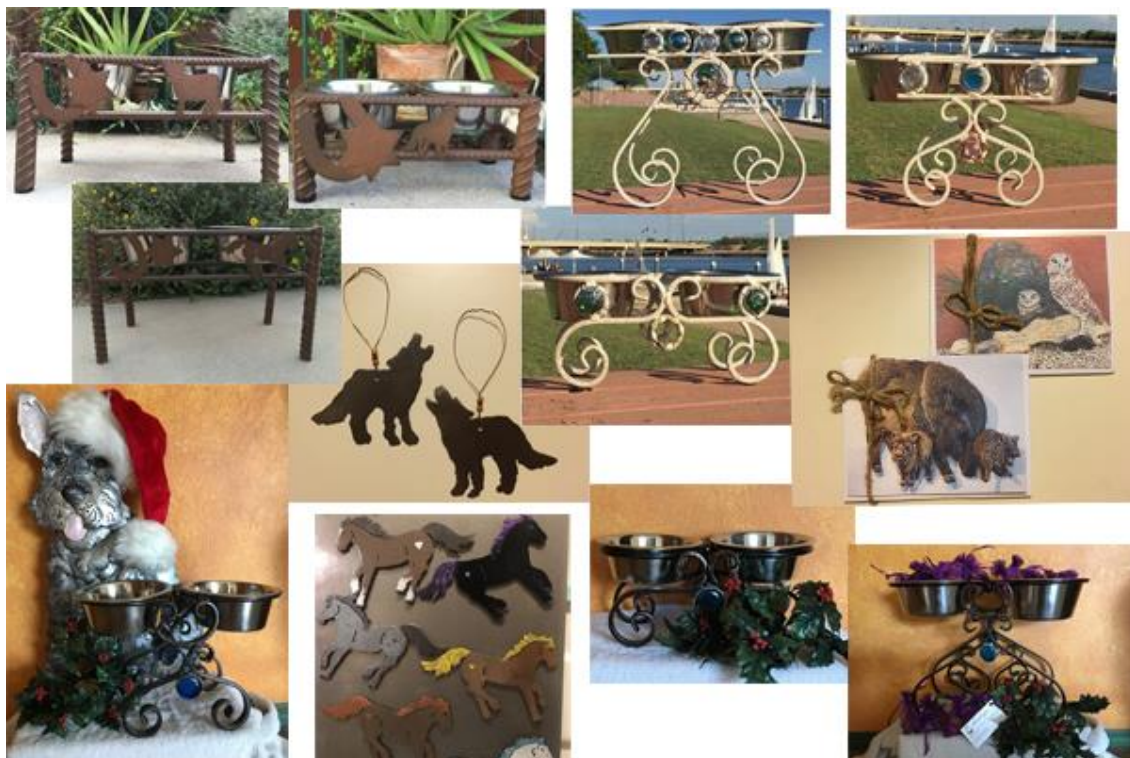




**Besos Locos (Crazy Kisses) and Caballo Sonriendo (Laughing Horse)** Have you been hiking over by the Shaw Butte Visitor Center (in Moon Valley off 7<sup>th</sup> Street and Thunderbird) and seen the 8 ½ foot tall, abstract horses? Yep, those are mine-some of my first creations. They were originally 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).



## 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](http://www.dhseadragon.com)

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

From left to right: *Loki, Connor, Tsegi at Baby Rock, Apollo, Ruby, Dexter, It IS Greener!, Nocona, Pebbles, & Rusty*





One the table now: *Whaaa Whaaattt??!!*, & *Stink Eye*, wall sculptures, *Otter* vignette, shhhh, it's a surprise vignette and a gift cert for a full size sculpture (someone is really on Santa's nice list), 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.

Making the world a better place, one smile at a time!

All the best!

Dadra Hunt

aka *dhSeadragon*