

## Winter 2022



*You Sooo Funny*

Two months into 2022 and I am feeling optimistic that this is going to be a great year!

The weather has been pleasant, flowers are starting to bloom, and people are out walking about and smiling. It is truly nice to see.

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What could be better than a bunch of happy people? Happy people and happy pets of course! The Shemer Art Center will be the place to find both this weekend. Saturday February 26 from 8-2 is the Furry Friends Fine Arts Festival, 5005 E Camelback Rd in Phoenix. Bring a pet! Don't have one? There will be adoptable pets available. Buy raffle tickets for your chance to win a dhSeadragon original vignette, *Valentine!*



*Rover in his Love Shades & Ivy in her Flower  
Hat... Two of a Kind by Jules Gissler*

## FURRY FRIENDS

FINE ARTS FESTIVAL

**Saturday, February 26, 2022 |  
8 am – 2 pm**



People, pets, food/drink, music, art, more pets, smiles, yay!

May this be just the start of more live events to come!

Until then there are lots of other ways to see dhSeadragon Distinctive Designs: Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, Linked In, and even a small video on You Tube (thank you Ryan Nicholson for the brilliant music and lyrics, Frieda and Ray Hendricks for letting Stevie be my muse, and Mary Westheimer for your mad editing skills).



Watch for updates on the dhSeadragon website and the virtual storefront on Etsy as well.



So over being stuck inside? Let's go play!

Take a walk in some scenic foothills, peruse fine art, sip a little wine, nosh on scones and latte', or lose yourself in a good book. Here are some great places to visit.



**dhSeadragon Distinctive Designs wild side** Strolling through the galleries on Main Street or enjoying the ambiance of the Thursday Night Art Walk? Be sure to swing into On the Edge Gallery. This artist owned gallery features over 40 of Arizona's finest artists (including yours truly). You are sure to find something to make you smile. 7045 E Main Street, Scottsdale, AZ 85251

**dhSeadragon Distinctive Designs pets** Echo Coffee not only has terrific homemade goodies, they also make a mean Bee Sting Latte'. They do donations to pet charities with every purchase and they display an art board featuring some of my pet vignettes. As a bonus, they have treats for your furry friends as well! 2902 N 68<sup>th</sup> Street, Scottsdale, AZ 85251

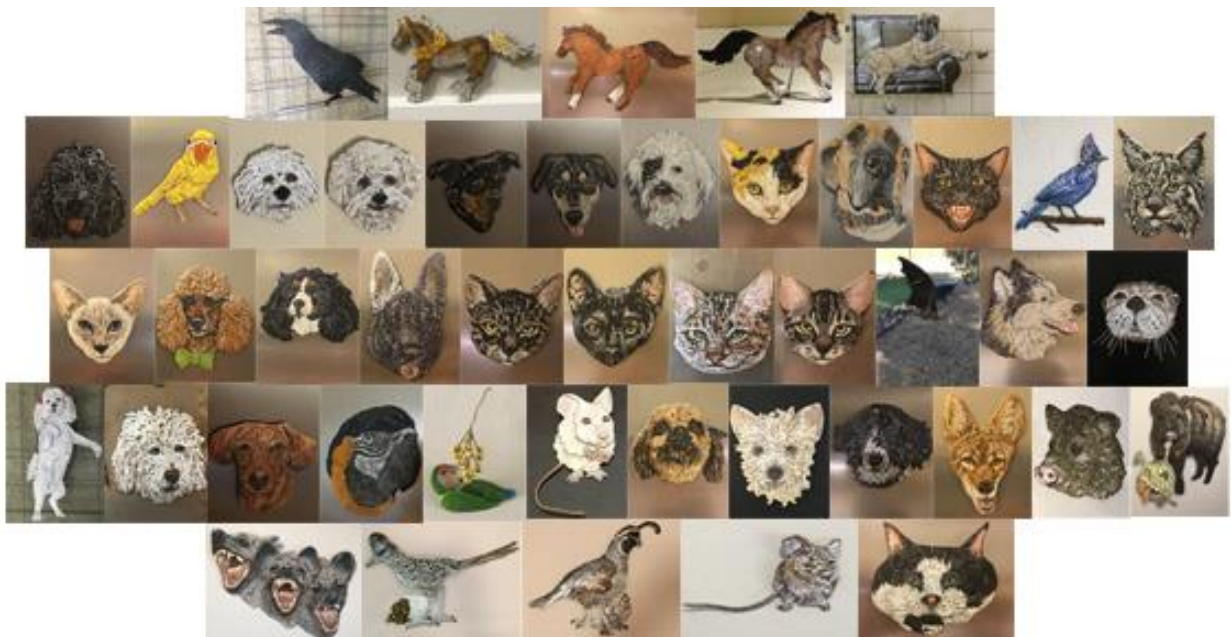
**Besos Locos (Crazy Kisses) and Caballo Sonriendo (Laughing Horse)** Have you been hiking over by the North Mountain Visitor Center (7<sup>th</sup> Street and Thunderbird) and seen the 8 ½ foot tall, abstract horses? Yep, those are mine-some of my first creations. They were originally created on a lark 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. 12950 N 7<sup>th</sup> St, Phoenix, AZ 85022

**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). 4014 N. Goldwater Blvd., Scottsdale, AZ 85251

## A glance back at the smiling faces of 2021

This past year saw 45 smiling faces emerge from metal, not to mention a small pod of orca ornaments, several bands of wild horse magnets and ornaments, a pack of coyote ornaments, some boisterous bucking bull ornaments, a zany zebra ornament, and a constellation of sea star ornaments. Most of them have found forever homes but check out [www.dhSeadragon.com](http://www.dhSeadragon.com) Stately Statues Gallery for your chance to purchase a one of a kind original work of art. Or visit the home page to request a commission.





## 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 or On the Edge Gallery on Main St. to find the one that got away.

How about a wild life magnet or ornament? There are lots of critters from which to choose...or commission your own idea.

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.



## Yay! We created some smiles!

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.

Thanks to you, we were able to send support to the following organizations this year: Great Dane Rescue of AZ, AZ Humane Society, Lost our Home Pet Foundation, Regal Dane Rescue, The Whale Museum, Salt River Wild Horse Management Group, Liberty Wildlife, Wild at Heart Raptors, Southwest Wildlife Conservation Center, Hunkapi Satbles, Woodland Park Zoo, and the Phoenix Zoo.



## New Faces in 2022



*Petey, Valentine, Talya, Taz, & Rufus*

One on the table now: puppies *Luke* and *Chavo*, a cat named *Savy*, and a hummingbird sculpture *Hidden in Plain Sight*.

Closing thought; looking forward to continuing my mission to make the world a brighter place one smile at a time in 2022! Thank you for your continued support!

All the best!

**Dadra Hunt**

aka *dhSeadragon*