

ARTIST INFORMATION SHEET

Artist: Linda Townsend

Statement My hope and purpose is to transform a seemingly value-less piece of paper into something with meaning. Through the use of symbolism, my artwork is purposed to evoke emotion in closeups, representing pivotal moments of the human condition. They are, to me, a glimpse of the human spirit, experienced by most and recognized by all.

The purpose of my artwork is generally direct and uniform, however when it comes to technique I find myself inspired in many arenas. When using graphite and color pencils my expressions usually take form in realism. I pay great attention to detail, lighting, values, proportion and subject matter. The pencil allows for the fine and meticulous strokes necessary for the texture and pattern found in nature and man made objects. On the other hand, when I use oil or chalk pastels I enjoy implementing broad and imperfect strokes. I'll often use unusual color combinations in shading and shadowing to create interest. These together encourage the imagination to create it's own story, giving the piece a unique life force.

Whatever the technique, I always try to keep each piece in perspective. My hope is to use my talents to create purposeful works of art. I strive to make images that bring joy and happiness to all those who see and admire them.

Style Symbolism and realism, purposed to evoke emotion in closeups, representing pivotal moments of the human condition; a snapshot of life itself.

Technique Predominately works with Prang graphite pencil on various paper formats (8" x 11" through 18" x 23"). Secondarily, color pencil (Prismacolor), oil pastel, and chalk pastel is used, displaying rich color and texture. Various textures are achieved with kneaded eraser and skilled hand techniques. All work is created with acid free Strathmore sketch or Bristol paper.

Background

1999, "Rock Art" Show
2000, 2001, Maricopa County Fair
2002, Arizona State Fair
2003, "Off The Fridge" Art Show
(six awards in varying categories)
2005, December, Solo Debut Art Show
2007, May- August, Java Universe
2008, October, Sunnyslope Art Walk

Prices \$80 to \$400.

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