

# News from Justine

Late Spring 2017

## Art Lovers Enjoy Fountain Hills Spring Event ...



### Tour d'Artistes is a Spring Delight

Justine's "Desert Textures" Studio was among 11 studios participating in the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual **Tour d' Artistes**. Over 300 people attended the **Tour** that included sales of original paintings and prints to a lively group of patrons.

Long time friend and collector, Canadian, Mary DuPuis purchased two of Justine's 8 x 8" Cholla paintings: *Jumping Cactus & Spring Flowers* and *Red Line Cholla*.



### Look for Justine's paintings at these current exhibits ...

- ▶ **Desert Foothills Gallery**  
3844 N. Schoolhouse Road  
Cave Creek — through May 12  
"Sunset Silhouettes" is displayed at  
"Wood, Wire, Wax & Fire" exhibit
- ▶ **Art/Object Gallery & Showroom**  
100 Easy Street — Carefree  
"Oriental Interlude" is in the "Spring Has Sprung" exhibit
- ▶ **Sedona Arts Center**  
15 Art Barn Road — Sedona  
1.928.282.3809

See Justine's paintings on her professional gallery wall

Justine attended the opening of "Interpretations" exhibition with "Monument Valley Vista" in March at the **WHAM Gallery** in Surprise Arizona.



*Spring* has definitely found its way to Fountain Hills. Justine and Bear enjoyed many delightful walks among the flowers. The desert blooms were especially rich this year prompting many photo shoots for Justine, including a field of poppies and the luck to find a red blooming Prickly Pear at Rio Verde's Main Community Center.



## Orange Pears ...

Justine has been working on a painting for four months depicting blooming Prickly Pears which has extensive etching on the painting and is finally, almost complete.



This lush Spring brought more beautiful Prickly Pear blooms at the Jones' home with new creative options for Justine's paintings. →

She has already painted several paintings of their Prickly Pears. Look for more in following newsletters.

## Happy Birthday to a dear friend ...

Justine's close friends and next door neighbors, Gwen and Pete Jones celebrated Pete's 75<sup>th</sup> birthday at girlfriend Donna Leavesley's home.



Clockwise from back: Gwen, Cousin Nancy, hubby Bill, Pete, and Donna.



## Sedona Interlude

Justine's long-time childhood friend, Patty Kunz from Alaska stayed with Justine and they drove up to Sedona for a red rock visit.

A feature of the trip was a visit to "Red Rock Crossing." The water wheel was originally used to water the fruit trees at Crescent Dove Ranch. At Red Rock Crossing the water level was way up due to a particularly wet winter at Sedona.



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