

News from Justine

Summer Painting

Summer 2017

Justine is using the summer to paint small paintings, her "miniature Jewels," with a goal to make seven 5 x 7" paintings. She has 4 completed with 3 to go and then will paint 6 x 6" square flower paintings. The paintings are a varied group so far ...

● *Lavender Sunset* is a painted interpretation taken from a telephoto picture Justine took of the Superstition Mountains with the build-up of the monsoon clouds. Justine painted the 7 x 5" painting with grays and pearlescent colors used as mixing colors and as accent colors in the sky.



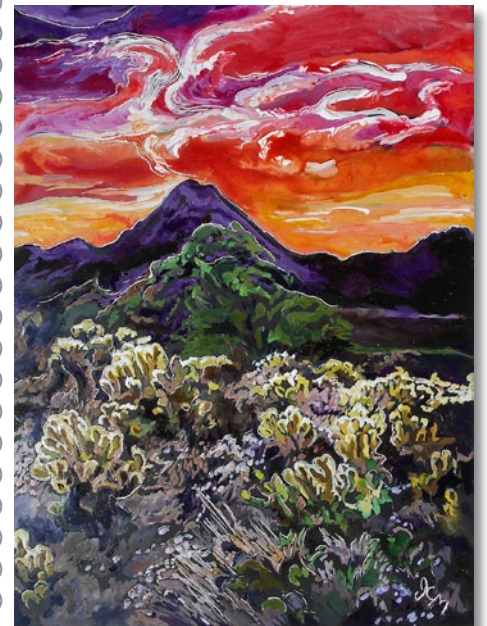
● *Saguaro Backyard* This painting is a departure from her usual bright colors. Here a large Saguaro frames a spring blooming Palo Verde. Justine wanted to offset the greens and violets with the cool blues of the cactus and rocks. The grasses in the background are the side view of her home.



● *Sonora Sun Stars* The challenge for this painting was to create the highlights and shadows of strong light on the blooming Prickly Pears. The painting has a wide variety of greens and oranges changing with the light.



● *A Fire in the Sky* features a mountain scene with Justine returning to impressionistic painting creating the sky and incorporating movement in the sky and echoing the flow in the Cholla cacti and grasses.



Under A Vast Sky Autumn Exhibition



Justine joined the national group **American Women Artists**. Her painting *Monument Valley Vista* has been accepted into the exhibit "Under a Vast Sky" at the Tucson Desert Art Museum. 63 artworks were accepted from 680 entries.

► **Save the date for a wonderful "Art Adventure" this Autumn
October 13 — December 3, 2017**

- [Tucson Desert Art Museum](#)
- 7000 E. Tanque Verde Road, Tucson
- Wednesday — Sunday 10 am - 4 pm
- 520.202.3888

Michigan Summer

Summer for all of us is a time of relaxation. Justine, Bill, Bear the dog & Squirtle the turtle kick back for quiet times in Michigan. It's been rainy in the Great Lakes state bringing out lots of green.

- The tree-shaded Lund Road is scary to Bear since it looks like he is entering a dark cave. Once Justine gets him among the trees—after much tugging and pulling on his leash—he does enjoy the view among the trees.
- Squirtle made his third trip via FedEx with "Ship My Reptiles" and is enjoying his summer on the deck with a new bark tunnel to give him protection from the sun and big critters. Squirtle is probably 20 years old and is still going strong.



Bear's "cave" road

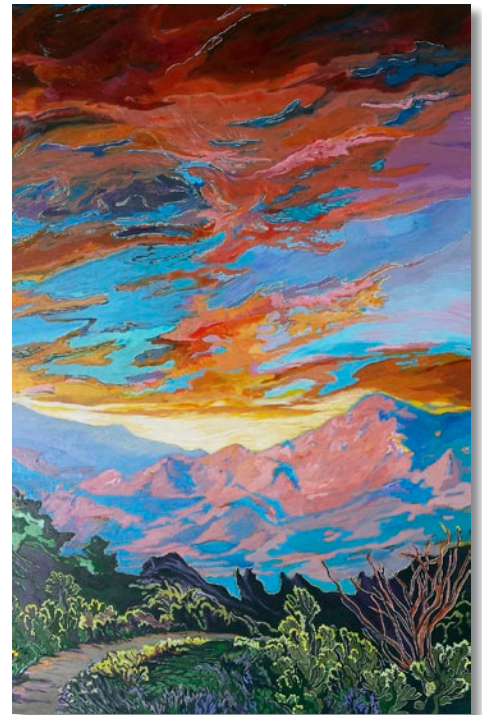


Squirtle's new bark tunnel

"Night Rhythms" moves to a new home in Florida

Justine's repainted "Night Rhythms" was sold at the Sedona Arts Center to a couple from Florida. They were remodeling their home and wanted the painting to be a centerpiece of their finished "Reno."

In the original version of the painting, Justine felt the sky was too large, disturbing the painting's proportions. She repainted the sunset and enlarged the land area to include a path moving toward the painting's background.



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