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Artist: Karlynn Keyes and Bryn Wilkins Lawson

Once upon a time in ancient Persia, there was a stunningly beautiful girl who told entrancing stories to her King for a thousand and one adventurous nights! The King was mesmerized by her storytelling and her knowledge of history, philosophy, poetry, and the arts. This young woman was well-read and well-bred and she entertained and educated the King about morality and kindness, which forever changed the way he ruled. Finally, the King made her his Queen, and to thank her for the many nights of storytelling, he gave his beloved wife a white Arabian Horse, dressed in a classical Arabian Horse Costume featuring intricate patterns, stunning colors and an abundance of tassels. They named their horse "Arabian Nights."

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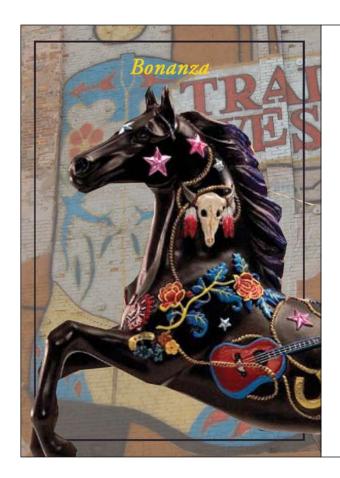


Artist : Lori Musil

This Painted Pony celebrates many of the majestic breeds that compete in national and international competitions and horse shows. The Appaloosa, Trekhener Warmblood, Belgian, Andalusian, Standardbred, American Paint Horse, Arabian and Lipizzan are depicted prancing and parading in the tack appropriate to their breed. This prestigious title is awarded to horses whose pedigree and progeny assure the judges that they are in fact the "Best of Show."

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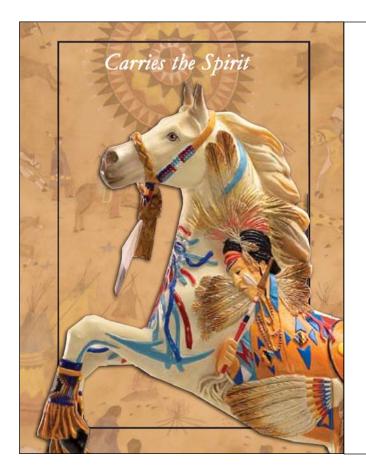
Artist : Janee Hughes and Rod Barker

Remember those Saturday afternoon matinees starring Roy Rogers, Gene Autry and other guitar-strumming cowboys? Remember how all of them rode a spirited horse that, on command, would rear up as if charging the sky? "Bonanza" is a tribute to the American West. Featuring such iconic images as a covered wagon, a bleached cow skull, gem-studded horseshoes and an acoustic guitar, it has lassoed the very Best of the West!

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"Carries the Spirit" is standing tall and proud on its hind legs, as if stepping to the beat of a drum at a pow wow. This rearing, white stallion, has caught the spirit of the two Native Dancers in dazzling regalia, who spin and leap dramatically, fringe and feather blowing like grass in the wind. Pow wows are tribal gatherings where Native People sing, dance, socialize and honor traditional values, and reflect important aspects of Native American society.

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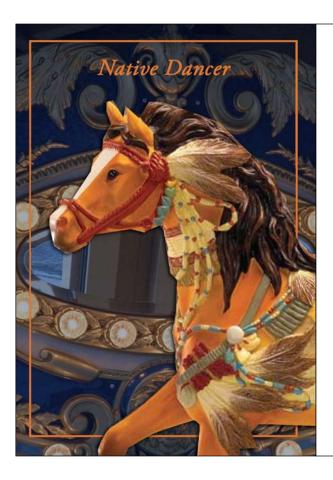
Artist: Lynn Bean

With beautiful, iridescent wings that sparkle like jewels, it's no wonder that dragonflies have taken on magical dimensions for many cultures. For some they represent renewal after a time of great hardship. Others admire them because their lives are short and they know they must live life to its fullest in the time they have. "Dragonfly Magic" encourages us to let our own colors come forth as we journey through life and seek a universal source of inspiration.

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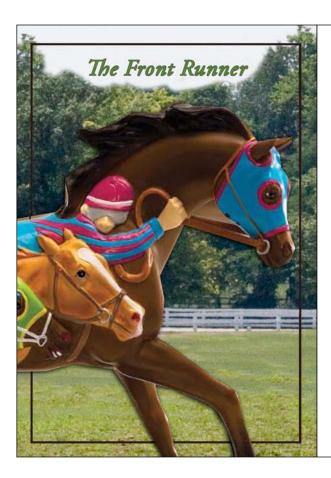


Artist: The Trail of Painted Ponies Tribute to Traditions

This creative interpretation of a vintage Indian Carousel Pony pays proud tribute to the artistic traditions behind the magnificent, hand-carved, carousel horses that were popular in America at the turn of the 20th century. "Native Dancer," commemorates this extraordinary art form and the artisans and craftsmen that elevated these elaborate Painted Ponies, as they were known, to museum quality art. At one time, over 7,000 carousels, or merry-go-rounds, spun their magical spell in amusement parks around the world. Regrettably, only 300 carousels remain in existence today. We would like to recognize the contribution of carousel restoration artist Pam Hessey, for her efforts to preserve carousel horses for future generations.

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Artist: Kim Ratigan

In horse racing, the Front Runner is a horse who takes the lead at the start of the race and maintains that lead until crossing the finish line. "The Front Runner," which placed first in a national "Art of Horse Racing" competition, captures the thrilling run down the home stretch, at precisely that moment when the winning jockey glances back to check on his closest competitor. Horse racing is an ancient sport that began in 4500 BC among the nomadic tribesmen of Central Asia, who first domesticated the horse. Often referred to as "The Sport of Kings," it is the second only to baseball as America's most popular spectator sport.

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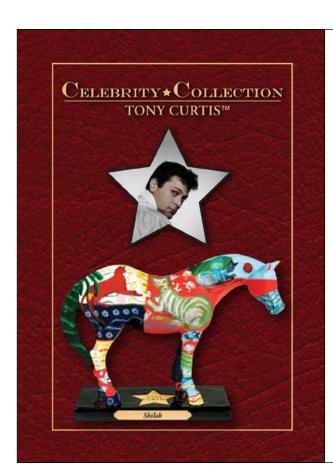


Artist : Vickie Knepper-Adrian

On a barren, windswept hill in eastern Montana there stands a tall obelisk inscribed with the names of the 268 men of the 7th Cavalry who lost their lives on June 26, 1876, in the Battle of Little Bighorn. Custer's Last Stand is remembered by most Americans as a shocking defeat for the United States 7th Cavalry. However, for Native Americans, it is remembered as the last chapter in the Native American struggle to preserve and defend their homeland and traditional way of life. There has been no equivalent memorial for Native Americans heroic sacrifice, until now. This gives "War Cry" its power and poignancy.

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Artist: Tony Curtis

Legendary Hollywood Actor/Artist Tony Curtis launches the Celebrity Collection for The Trail of Painted Ponies with this life-size Painted Pony, titled "Shiloh," which is now available as a collectible figurine. Tony Curtis is one of the most successful actors of his era, starring in a number of the most popular and acclaimed films of the 1950s and 1960s. Mr. Curtis is also an accomplished artist whose works of art are featured in prominent galleries, private collections and distinguished museums including New York's Museum of Modern Art. "Shiloh" is an artistic mosaic of some of Tony Curtis's best loved paintings featuring two of his favorite animals...cats and horses.

A portion of all proceeds from "Shiloh" figurines will be donated to support Shiloh Horse Rescue and Sanctuary, founded by Jill and Tony Curtis. Website: www.ShilohHorseRescue.com

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