

Artists Series - Meet Joy Allen, deliverer of JOY

The super moon rises this week. I hope you have clear skies to observe this "buck" moon. It is called that because this is the season male deer grow antlers. We hope our artist's creations grow on you as well -- especially Joy Allen's, our feature artist in today's letter. In the meantime, use the moon's glow to light a walk in the neighborhood during the cool of a summer's evening. Maybe you might see a deer with fresh new antlers.

Check out these fun samples and then click on any of them to see her recent work

This week we are focusing on <u>Joy Allen</u>. Many of you have known her for years. She lives up to her name, her art creates *JOY* in all those around her Many of you are familiar with her wonderfully expressive animals, gnomes, princesses and other critters.

Now, Joy is applying that sense of wonder to the natural world around her. For many years, Joy started her morning by hiking out into the beautiful Sierra foothills from her own backyard. She is now bringing that natural setting around her to life, evoking emotion in customers, just like she has always done with her whimsey.



We recently talked with Joy about her life and likes. The answers help explain how Joy is able to bring out her delight in God's natural beauty so effectively.

P.S There is still a little of the whimsey thrown in for good measure,









What is your favorite activity in the summer?

My favorite summer activity is being with family but I do love to hike in my beautiful Sierra mountains.

What is your favorite thing about being an artist?

My favorite thing about being an artist is waking up with an inspiration and having to jump in my studio to create that inspiration!

If time and money, etc were no object, what is one thing that you would like to do?

If time & money were no object, I would enjoy finding different ways to make a difference in poverty and health. Making a difference in peoples lives.

What do you like people to feel from looking at your art?

I hope they feel a connection to their own feelings and heart.

Where do you go for inspiration?

It's all around me! Seldom do I have a moment that I'm not thinking of something to create.

Last time you went shopping what stood out to you?

I like original and unique when I buy.

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We look forward to working with you soon!

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