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greetings!

Here's good news about my health!

SEPT. 1, 2016: My long time primary care preventive medicine doctor takes me off Furosemide. I am to take a still smaller dose of my beta-blocker, Metoprolol, and be very aware of my blood pressure. When I get home I check to see if I have Losartan, and indeed, I inadvertently forgot to pack that in with my daily supplements. Gee, now I have three down and one – the beta-blocker - to go to get off the heart meds! It will take around three weeks to wean myself.

OCT. 14, 2016: I've been off Metoprolol since Sept. 18, and my blood pressure is good! Yay!



"Sweet Dreams"

APPROX. 2 3/4" W X 2"D X 1"H, BRONZE, EDITION 99 & 9 ARTIST'S PROOFS ©2016

Meet Bo Duke, sweetly sleeping. I modeled *Sweet Dreams*, directly in wax from scratch.

Three are available for Holiday 2016 delivery! Order yours today!



"Siesta" Wire

1:6 SCALE: 3 3/8"L x 1 3/4"W x 1"H, BRONZE ED. 30 & 3 ARTIST'S PROOFS ©2016
 PHOTO: DON CASPER

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SEPT. 3, 2016: "Miss Me" earns The Lindsey Morris Memorial Award in the Allied Artists of America 103rd Annual Exhibition! Cool!



"Miss Me" MS

19.5"L x 11"D x 7"H BRONZE ED. 20 & 2 ARTIST'S PROOFS ©2015
 PHOTO: MEL SCHOCKNER

Did your mom or grandmother have a Magic Chef gas range? Mine did. Friends and I tour the magical 12,000 square foot Magic Chef Mansion in the Compton Heights neighborhood of St. Louis. WOW! What a place! This fully restored mansion, complete with game room and bowling alley in the basement, was built by the creator of Magic Chef gas ranges. The woodwork and flooring are gorgeous. Twenty-six years ago, the current owner purchased this mansion in a complete state of disrepair and refurbished it amazingly well. Enjoy a taste.





Do you see the face in the clouds in this window above the front door?



A pair of wooden carved cranes flanks both sides of a small table in the formal French living room.

The circular pattern of the beautiful hardwood floor in the dining room is gloriously hand made. Imagine yourself crafting each piece of wood to fit perfectly into a circle! Gorgeous!



The white glazed tile kitchen is complete with the green neon Magic Chef logo!



The creator of Magic Chef ranges, Charles Stockstrom (1852-1990) patented the dark red gas gauge located between the red Calumet Baking Powder can, the red timer, and the red-checked towel to the right. This range is much larger than my mother's Magic Chef.

This phone reminds me of my grandparent's wall phone, but theirs had no buttons.



I love old tools! My daddy's drill press was not nearly as large as this one that came with the mansion. It is attached to the basement wall. Just LOOK at the size of those drill bits!



Curved lines grace the bowling alley. A ball is to the left.

SEPT. 12, 2016: Yay! "Miss Me" is among the **12th International ARC Salon Finalists! The Art Renewal Center Salon is a highly prestigious exhibition.**



SEPT. 15, 2016: Yay! "So Good to See You" ML, has been juried into the Audubon Artists 74th Annual Exhibition! See it in person from Monday, October 24 - Friday, Nov. 4, 2016 at the Salmagundi Club, 47 Fifth Street, NY, NY.



"So Good to See You" ML

14 1/2"L x 12"H x 12"D, BRONZE ED. 10 & 1 AP ©2011

PHOTO: MEL SCHOCKNER

SEPT. 20, 2016: Yay! "Lord of the Couch" Wire, 1:6 Scale, and "Coming & Going" Wirehaired sterling belt buckle are in the hands of UPS and on their way to California for a Christmas gift! Thank you, Sharon, for thinking ahead!



*"Lord of the Couch" Wire, 1:6 Scale ©2003
Shown in Wild Boar patina
Photo: Mel Schockner*



Freshly cast and freshly photographed "Coming & Going" Wire Buckle ©2001 Photo: Don Casper



*Over time, Mother Nature will give your "Coming & Going" sterling buckle a glowing patina.
Photo: Mel Schockner*



Scott Joplin

5 1/4"H x 2 5/8"W x 2 3/8"D

BRONZE ED. 20 & 2 ARTIST'S PROOFS ©1992 PHOTO: MEL SCHOCKNER

SEPT. 23, 2016: A check arrives for a bronze bust of Scott Joplin! Thank you, Brenton!

OCT. 7, 2016: A sweet email arrives from Brenton.

Joy, The Scott Joplin bust arrived this afternoon. I wanted to let you know right away how thrilled we are with it!!

Your rendering of the King of Ragtime is by far the best I was able to find -- and I have been looking for quite some time now. It immediately assumed pride of place atop the Schimmel upright piano in our living room.

You can be certain that your fine portrait of Scott Joplin is appreciated and will be treasured.
Sincerely, Brenton

SEPT. 29, 2017: Melba calls from The Salmagundi Club reports "Lord of the Couch" MW, earned the Martin Hannon Memorial Award! Yay! Thank you!

"Lord of the Couch" MW
Bronze Ed. 20 & 2 AP ©2001
Photo: Mel Schockner



OCT. 2, 2016: The American Artists Professional League juries “So Good to See You” ML into its 88th Annual Exhibition! Yay!



“Miss Me” MS Bronze, Ed. 20 & 2 AP ©2015 Joy Kroeger Beckner

OCT. 6, 2016: “Miss Me” has been chosen from the 56th Annual Exhibition of the Society of Animal Artists tour! The venues are included below.

See, touch and be touched by my work at these upcoming shows:

OCT. 21, 2016, 5-7PM: Art Exhibit at Chesterfield City Hall, Chesterfield, MO. *I'll be there! Please come!!!*

OCT. 21 – DEC. 19, 2016: Art Exhibit at Chesterfield City Hall, Chesterfield, MO

OCT. 24 – NOV. 4, 2016: Audubon Artists 74th Annual Exhibition, Salmagundi Club, 47 Fifth Ave., NY

THRU OCT. 30, 2016: National Sculpture Society 83rd Annual Exhibition, Brookgreen Gardens, Pawley's Island, SC

Nov. 6, 2016 - 18, 2016: 88th Grand National Exhibit of the American Artists Professional League, Salmagundi Club, 47 Fifth Avenue, New York, NY

THRU JAN. 1, 2017: Society of Animal Artists 59th Annual Exhibition, The Houston Museum of Natural Science, Houston, TX

JAN. 21 - MARCH 2017: Society of Animal Artists 59th Annual Exhibition, The Hiram Blauvelt Art Museum, Oradell, NJ. (201) 261-0012; blauveltartmuseum.com

THRU FEB. 19, 2017: AKC Museum of the Dog, "Dogs of St. Louis Artists" 1721 S. Mason Rd., St. Louis, MO 63131

MARCH 25 - MAY 15, 2017: Sternberg Museum of Natural History, Fort Hays State University, Hays, KS. (785) 628-4286; sternberg.fhsu.edu

JUNE 3 - SEPTEMBER 3, 2017: Society of Animal Artists 59th Annual Exhibition, Museum of the Shenandoah Valley, Winchester, VA. (540) 662-1473; themsv.org

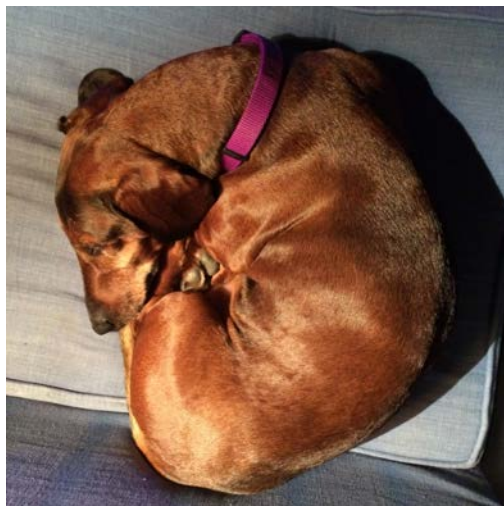
THRU 2017: "Performance in Sculpture" exhibition at the David A. Straz, Jr., Center for Performing Arts, Tampa, FL

THRU 2018: Art on the Avenues, Wenatchee, WA: www.artontheavenues.org

Strength for the Journey!

Please keep in touch!

Joy



Bo Duke on Blue. "Sweet Dreams" fine boy.