# **HeatherHarrisArt**

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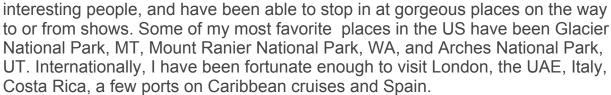
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#### Intro

Wow. I haven't written a newsletter in 6 years, though I have been posting on Facebook and Twitter. I will be better about creating a regular newsletter for those not on social media.

First, though, I need to say how grateful and thankful I am for all of you who have supported me in my work, in whatever capacity that may have been/is. Know that no one has been forgotten!

A lot has happened in 6 years. I've been to many shows around the country, met tons of



Last year, my sister and I walked across Spain in a pilgrimage known as the Camino de Santiago (Way of St James). We were inspired by the movie called "The Way." I recommend both the movie and the walk!! We walked 500+ miles on the Camino Frances across northern Spain, and met people from all over the world with whom we have kept in contact. Check out my sister's blog (since I did not blog about it) of our adventure: <a href="https://kristyh5.wordpress.com/">https://kristyh5.wordpress.com/</a>. There is a short fun video at the beginning of her blog as well. Thank you Kristy for keeping the memories alive!! Also, recently, we purchased the domain name of HeatherAndKristy.com so we can tell the world about our travels. Perhaps it will be in book format and in one or more series of artwork. We're still contemplating and forming our ideas, but we will keep you posted!:)



## What's Up In My Art World?

The last time I wrote a newsletter, I had only had my puppy, Prince, for a few months. Well Prince is no longer a puppy, but he has accompanied me on many a road trip, to the East Coast, to Chicago, to California, to Washington State and through various other states. Unfortunately I could not take him to Italy, London, UAE or Spain. Whether Prince was with me or not, I was able to capture some great views that I have used or will use in works.

Last year I created the biggest piece I have ever completed, called W.A.A.C. (We are All Connected). I created the piece for ArtPrize, an annual contest in Grand Rapids, MI. The contest invites artists from all over the world to exhibit works for three weeks. During that time, both the public and a jury vote on the pieces. My piece was an interactive piece that invited viewers to participate by taking photos in a photo booth behind the piece, explaining how they felt we are all connected, and to spread the word via social media. W.A.A.C. made it to the top 100, and I have a good feeling about where it could go now!! There are many details to the piece, and you can read about it here if you haven't already: <a href="http://heatherharrisart.com/waac.php">http://heatherharrisart.com/waac.php</a>. W.A.A.C. will be at the Armadillo Bazaar this year, so if you did not get a chance to come to the unveiling last year at my studio, you will be able to see it this year! Not only will you be able to see W.A.A.C., but you will be able to take photos in the photo booth and include your thoughts on what W.A.A.C. means to you!

I did not enter ArtPrize this year, but am thinking about an entry for next year concentrating on the Camino de Santiago. At the moment, the new series is called "MiCamino," and I plan to have a few pieces from this new series showing at Armadillo Bazaar (both welded and etched pieces). In the end, there will be pieces for each day of our walk (except for our rest day)!! It'll take me awhile to complete, as the walk was 36 days, but I've started now!

In the past several years I've also worked on commissioned art, both residential and commercial. <u>Commissioned pieces</u> are some of my favorite creations, as I love making special art for people!

## **Upcoming Exhibitions & Shows**

# HIXEN STUDIO HOLIDAY SOIREE

When:

Saturday Dec 12: 10 am - 6 pm Sunday Dec 13: 12 p - 6 pm

Where: Hixen Studio; 2200 FM 2001, Buda, TX 78610

Map: <a href="https://goo.gl/maps/RqsMxdbszHB2">https://goo.gl/maps/RqsMxdbszHB2</a>

## **Armadillo Christmas Bazaar (Austin, TX)**

When:

Dec 15 - Dec 24: 10 am - 10 pm daily

#### Where:

Palmer Events Center 900 Barton Springs Road Austin, TX 78704

\$8 (12 and under always free)

Map: <a href="https://goo.gl/maps/rLLKpKaTqiv">https://goo.gl/maps/rLLKpKaTqiv</a>

Info: www.armadillobazaar.com

#### **Current Works**

I have many pieces available on my site and some are listed in a silent auction. Visit <a href="http://HeatherHarrisArt.com">http://HeatherHarrisArt.com</a> to see!

## **Artist Plugs**

There are fabulous artists around the world, and I'm inspired by many of them, be it art or music. With each newsletter, I like to include some of these!

#### Art

#### Oscar Ricardo Silva

My name is Oscar Ricardo Silva and I'm a photographer based out of Austin, Texas. I was born in San Gil, Colombia but have spent most of my life in the United States. I'm primarily a photojournalist but have extensive experience in portraiture and art/landscape photography. Most of my work involves groups on the fringe, or perceived to be on the fringe. Having been born outside of the US and with Spanish as my first language, I was on that fringe. <a href="http://www.atxnomad.com">http://www.atxnomad.com</a>

#### Music

#### Ginger Leigh

Having released her 9th album (and currently recording #10), you can only imagine the success behind this global artist. Ginger Leigh has tens-of-thousands of concerts and shows in her history, all over the U.S., Europe, the South Pacific and more. One might think she's even played on the moon! With fans reaching beyond demographics, Leigh is the right fit just about anywhere. <a href="http://gleigh.com">http://gleigh.com</a>

See <u>Artist Favorites</u> to view a complete list.

## Missed a Past Newsletter? Click here to read any you've missed!

Hope to see you all soon!! I hope each and every one of you have great plans for the holiday season!!

Yay Art!

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