

Sarah Soward

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The Wild Life, by Sarah Soward, Featured at One Gallery

Exhibition Open To the Public from October 4-October 31, 2013 at One Gallery, 128 Kilauea Ave, Hilo, HI.

Opening reception October 4, 2013, 6-8pm.

Soward, best known for her rhino paintings, is exhibiting the start of a new series. The featured work, aptly named *The Wild Life*, is a collection of small, intimate paintings of wild animals. The list of animals includes rhinoceros (of course), zebra, hartebeest, amakihi, pueo, io, wild horses, and more.

Soward's work is characterized by a painterly love of color, motion, and experimentation. Each painting is made to best suit the subject matter. The flamingo on Lake Naivasha is carved into the impasto paint of the water. The endangered cheetah who can run so fast he's barely there is painted in light, thin layers. A plump amakihi is fattened further by multiple layers of paint for feathers. The rhino, Soward's favorite, is shrunk to flower size and given a background of glowing sunshine.

This new work by Sarah "The Rhino Lady" Soward is featured at One Gallery, Hilo, HI, for the month of October. The gallery is open seven days a week and exhibits work by a variety of island based artists.

You can view Soward's work in person on the Big Island at these locations:

One Gallery, 128 Kilauea Ave. Hilo, Hawaii 96720

Jungle Love, 15 Government Main Rd Apt 2874, Pahoa, HI 96778

Third Dimension Gallery, 68-1330 Mauna Lani Dr, Kamuela, HI 96743

Bio/Boilerplate

Art has always been a part of Sarah Soward's life. Her work, including a drawing of a tiger, was shown and published as early as grade school when her family lived in Germany. Back in the U.S. in high school, her work won awards and was put into shows. A painting of horse racing was purchased into the Churchill Downs Museum in Louisville, KY. Her college years in the San Francisco Bay Area brought about still more shows, more artwork sales, and her passion for rhinos. Earlier this year, one of Soward's rhino paintings was selected to be in the Wildlife Artist of the Year 2013 exhibition in London. She has been painting rhinos off and on since 1999 and wildlife and animals in general much longer than that.

She now lives in Hawaii and travels all over the world for art, design, teaching, and wildlife adventures. Recently, Soward returned from a photo safari trip to Kenya where she was lucky enough to photograph various animals in their natural habitat and even had an up close and personal encounter with a monkey.

Exhibitions

Individual and group art exhibitions include:

- 2013 Group show, *A Million Little Pictures*, Art House, NY, LA, touring show
- 2013 Group show, *Collaborations*, Wailoa Center Gallery, Hilo, HI
- 2013 Group show, *Wildlife Artist of the Year 2013*, Mall Galleries, London, UK
- 2013 Group show, *Wonderland SF Anniversary*, San Francisco, CA
- 2013 Individual show, *Rhinotopia*, in Mauka & Makai Galleries, EHCC, Hilo, HI
- 2012 Group show, *EHCC Member Show*, EHCC Hilo, HI
- 2012 Group show, *Abstract Only!*, Wailoa Center Gallery, Hilo, HI
- 2012 Supporting artist for *Beastmaster#*, 60 Rausch, San Francisco, CA
- 2012 Group show with Chillin' Productions, San Francisco, CA
- 2012 Group show, *Dimensions of Love*, EHCC, Hilo, HI
- 2012 Group show, *EHCC Spring Art Show*, Hilo, HI
- 2012 Group show, *La Jungla*, at WonderlandSF, San Francisco, CA
- 2011 Multiple Group shows with Chillin' Productions, San Francisco, CA
- 2011 Group multimedia art piece for *Doors to Nowhere*, San Francisco, CA
- 2011 San Mateo County Fair, placed 3rd for Wildlife Section
- 2011 Group Show, Swankety Swank Art Collective, San Francisco, CA
- 2010 Group Show at BAVC, San Francisco, CA
- 2010 Group Show at Sub-Mission Gallery, San Francisco, CA
- 2009 Group show with Art WorkSF, San Francisco, CA
- 2009 Group Show at Six by Six art gallery, New York, NY
- 2008 Group show with Art House, Atlanta, GA
- 2008 Individual show, *Divine Being*, at The Lighthouse, Hayward, CA
- 2007 Group show with Chillin' Productions, San Francisco, CA
- 2007 Group show at Pantheon, San Jose, CA
- 2006 Group show with Art WorkSF, San Francisco, CA
- 2006 Group show at the Boontling Gallery, San Francisco, CA
- 2003-2005 Group shows with Chillin' Productions, San Francisco, CA
- 2004 Group Show *Gift* by Altruity.com, San Francisco, CA
- 2002-2004 Group shows with The Muse Studios at various locations, Bay Area, CA
- 2002 Group show at 111 Minna, San Francisco, CA
- 2002 Participated in an open studio event in Marin, CA
- 2001 Individual rhino art show at Acabello Salon, San Francisco, CA
- 1999-2001 Individual (rhino themed) shows at Papalote, San Francisco, CA
- 1998-2002 Various group and individual shows at the California College of the Arts

Galleries

- Work currently at the Third Dimension Gallery, Kamuela, HI
- Work currently at WonderlandSF, San Francisco, CA
- Work currently at the One Gallery, Hilo, HI

Museum

- Work in the collection of the Churchill Downs Museum, Louisville, KY, 1995.

Publications

Rhinotopia: Beginnings

“Yellow Sadness” in The Colors of Life

“Einstein’s Daughters” review for Gilded Serpent Webzine

“White Out Wedding” for Gilded Serpent Webzine

Featured in California 24/7

Education

California College of the Arts - BFA in Painting & Drawing - 2002

Experience

Instructor for the Bay Area Video Coalition (BAVC) from 2004 to present:

Graphic, visual, web and mobile design, typography, workflow integration, search engine optimization, ePublications, the Adobe Creative Suite including, but not limited to: Photoshop, Illustrator, InDesign, Dreamweaver, Flash, Fireworks, and Acrobat; coding HTML, CSS, HTML5, CSS3, and ActionScript 3.0.

Curriculum development, in-class demos, teaching media and handout creation.

Instruction and Q&A on a group and student by student basis.

Board of Directors for the Pagan Alliance from 2004-2005, 2007 to present:

Assistant Artistic Director 2004-2005

Art Director 2005 to 2011

Chair of the Subcommittee of Float Design for the Pagan Festival’s annual parade

Logo design, signs, business cards, fliers, brochures, curator, festival design

Assisting in planning and realization of fundraising events

Curator/co-curator:

CCA’s Women’s Caucus Association Show

Guerilla Girls lecture presented by the Women’s Caucus Association at CCA

The Muse Studio’s “Glub Glub – A Show About Fish” at The 1923 Tea House

“The Muse” group show at Chevil Ate’ Theatre

Various fundraisers for The Pagan Alliance

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