



Cloud Hunter

Artist: Janee Hughes

A Tribute to the American Paint Horse...

Typical of the speech of a cowboy, the ways of a bucking horse were referred to in colorfully descriptive terms. When a horse reared wildly and vaulted upwards, mane flying and hooves flailing as if it intended to go up and up into the sky, it was called a "cloud hunter." By making the horse a Paint whose spots take on the appearance of thunderclouds, the artist has added another layer of meaning to the old horseman's saying.

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War Eagle

Artist: Kevin Kilhoffer

Native Americans felt a kinship with all animals, but held eagles, hawks, owls and other birds of prey in especially high esteem because their vision, swiftness and fearless courage typified the qualities a warrior needed to be successful. The golden eagle, often referred to by Plains Indians as the "war eagle" because of its willingness to go after game larger than itself - fox, coyote, sheep - was believed to be the most powerful of all creatures in the animal kingdom, which is why its feathers were incorporated into the headdresses and war bonnets worn by chiefs as they rode into battle.

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Little Big Horse



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Artist/Sculptor: Kathleen Moody

A Tribute to the Norwegian Fjord Horse...

There's a good reason why the Norwegian Fjord Horse was the inspiration for the horse in the animated Disney hit, "Frozen." A reason beyond the way its expressive eyes, amiable nature, charming personality, and distinctive crescent-shaped mane made it an endearing character, as distinctive in appearance as a unicorn. Selectively bred by Vikings to be hard-working, dependable and "bomb proof," a Fjord was perfectly cast as a little horse with a big heart.

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Guardian Angel



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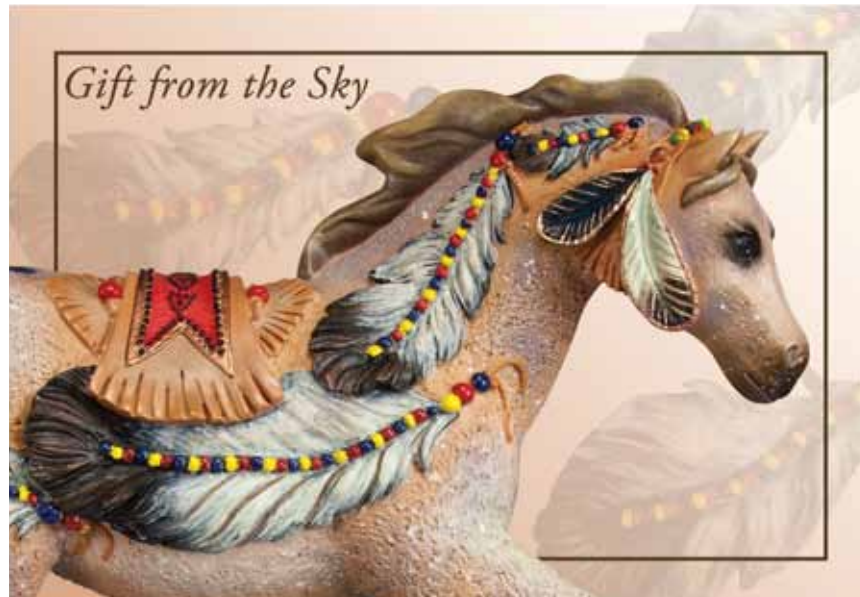
Artist: Laurie Cook

Notes from the artist's journal: "When I think of angels I envision a quiet presence, a listener, a gentle soul who comforts me. I also imagine a powerful strength and unshakable courage that helps me fight my battles and carries me to safety. It occurs to me that a horse embodies these very same qualities and so I have created a 'Guardian Angel' who soars silently, conveying a message of joy, hope, faith, love and peace to the world as he fades in and out of the clouds."

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Gift from the Sky

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Artist: Lynn Bean

Fallen feathers have often been perceived as gifts from the sky that arrive unexpectedly, but not without purpose. Often they are interpreted as reminders that angels are near... as signs from the universe representing freedom and flight... as souvenirs left behind after looking at things from a high perspective. With this in mind, the artist created a "Gift from the Sky" intended to be a gift with the power to help us "take wing" on the right path in life.

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