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# KEVIN CARON STUDIOS

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## MUSEINGS - News From Artist Kevin Caron

June 2018

In Arizona, summer is here, the cooler is on in the studio, and there's plenty to keep Kevin busy ....

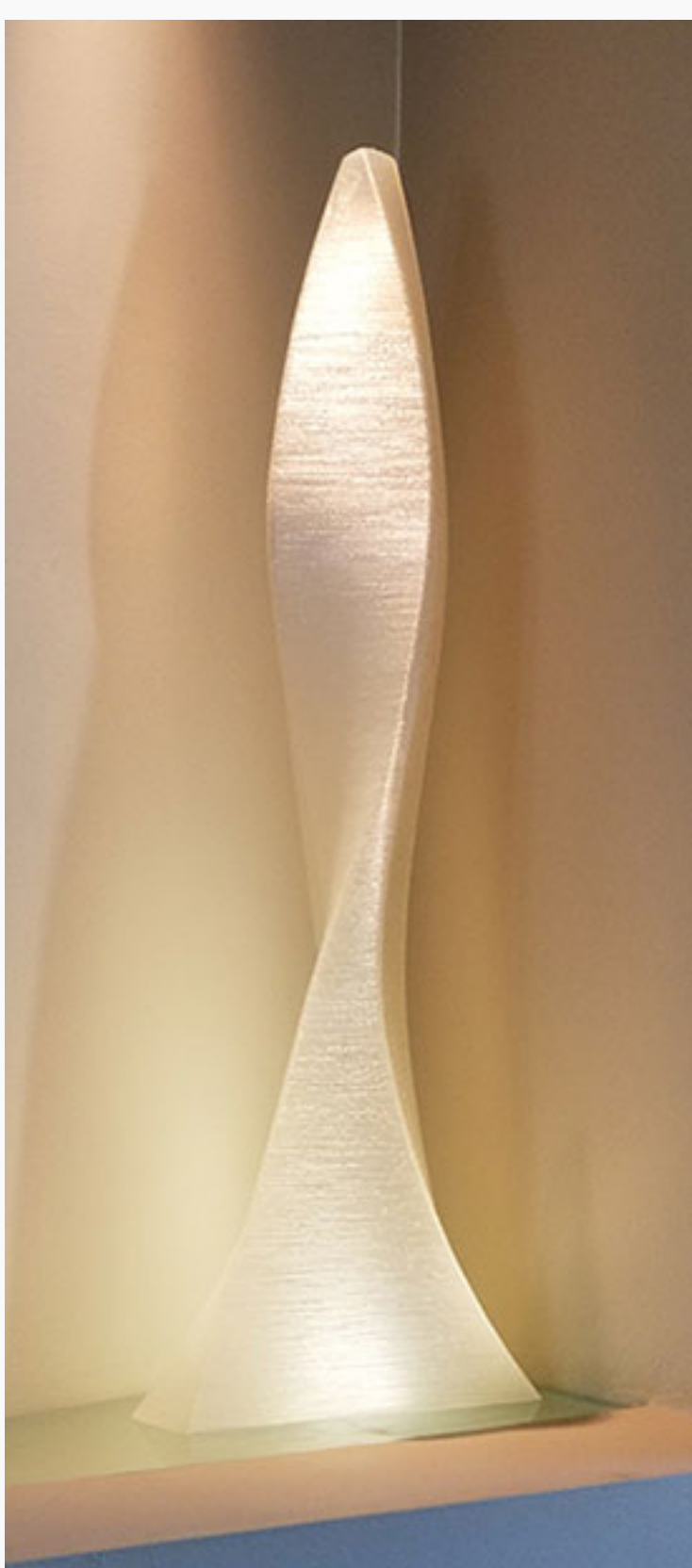
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## SUMMER SHOW SET; TUCSON AND NEW YORK EVENTS SPOTLIGHT 3D PRINTING



Kevin's newest 3D-printed sculpture, luminous [Spectre](#) (left), will debut at the "**Seventh Annual Five15 to the Fifth**" art show at Chartreuse Gallery in Phoenix.

Each member of [Five15](#), a decade-old Phoenix artist collective, is welcome to invite other artists for the group's annual "To the Fifth" show. This year, photographer and painter [Daniel Prendergast](#) invited Kevin to show one of his sculptures. "The timing is perfect," Kevin says. "I can't wait for the world to see [Spectre](#) - it's been getting a great reception thus far from people who've seen the photograph."

The show opens **Friday, July 6** and runs through **Sunday, August 26** at Five15's home gallery, **Chartreuse** at [1301 NW Grand Ave.](#) in Phoenix. Kevin will be out of town for the opening but will be at the **July 20th, August 3rd** and **August 17th receptions**, which will be held **5 - 10 p.m.** Come on by and say hi and, while you're at it, check out the other galleries on these Phoenix art walk evenings.

Meanwhile, Kevin's work was well received at 2 other recent shows, [Sculpture Tucson](#) and [Artexpo New York](#). In early April, in just 2-1/2 days, the inaugural **Sculpture Tucson** show attracted 4,300 visitors, most of whom were totally fascinated by the 3D printer Kevin had running. "We were hoarse by the end of the show from explaining to people what they were looking at and the possibilities of 3D printing,"

Kevin admits. "It's so much fun, though, to see peoples' eyes light up when they finally understand this amazing technology." Kevin sold 3 major pieces - [Oculum](#), [Hold Me Close](#) and [Limoncello](#) - and 2 smaller pieces, all of them 3D printed.

Kevin's large format 3D-printed sculpture [Mount Glacier](#) also turned heads at **Artexpo New York** in late April. "Most people were completely fascinated and intrigued by the fact that this sculpture is 3D printed," said Litsa Spanos of [Art Design Consultants](#), who showed the piece.

Says Kevin: "It's cool to see people really 'get' these sculptures!"

You can always [learn more about upcoming events](#) on the Website.

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## **CRAZY CONTEST CREATES QUIPS**

When Kevin set up his studio, he added a bit of fun with a series of letters on the side of a bookcase. The letters are so visible in many of his videos that several viewers have asked, "What do those stand for?" That made for a perfect subject for a contest!

So on [May 16](#) in his [YouTube video](#), Kevin challenged his fans to figure out what the letters stand for. The winner received an **[Everlast PowerARC 140ST stick / TIG welder](#)** (a \$299 value). The runner up won a **Kevin Caron T-shirt** of his choice from [Kevin's store](#), while the funniest entry won a **Kevin Caron mug** from [the store](#). "They can pick any T-shirt or mug they want," explains Kevin.



Although he thought no one would ever guess what the phrase means, at least a half-dozen people did. "I didn't realize it was out there online," says Kevin, who saw it in a bar outside of Denver more than 40 years ago. (The winner saw it in a bar, too.) "The entries we got were amazing," says Kevin. "I have a lot of clever fans!" To find out what the letters are, what phrase means, and who won, [check out the video](#).

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## **IN THE NEWS: LOCAL AND LUXURY**



Kevin's work will be featured in 2 upcoming articles. [High Simmer](#) is the subject of a new feature called "First Impressions" in the beautifully redesigned [Phoenix Home & Garden](#) magazine, which covers Southwest style. "I can't wait to see what they say," says Kevin.

We'll have to wait until fall to see Kevin's work in [Luxury Portfolio](#) magazine, which focuses on luxury homes around the world. "They were really pleased with the images," says Kevin. "I sent them a lot of images of a variety of sculptures I have in high-end homes across the United States, so I'm really looking forward to seeing what they publish."

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**UNDER WAY IN THE STUDIO: *EXCLUSIVE 'FRANKENPHOTO'!***



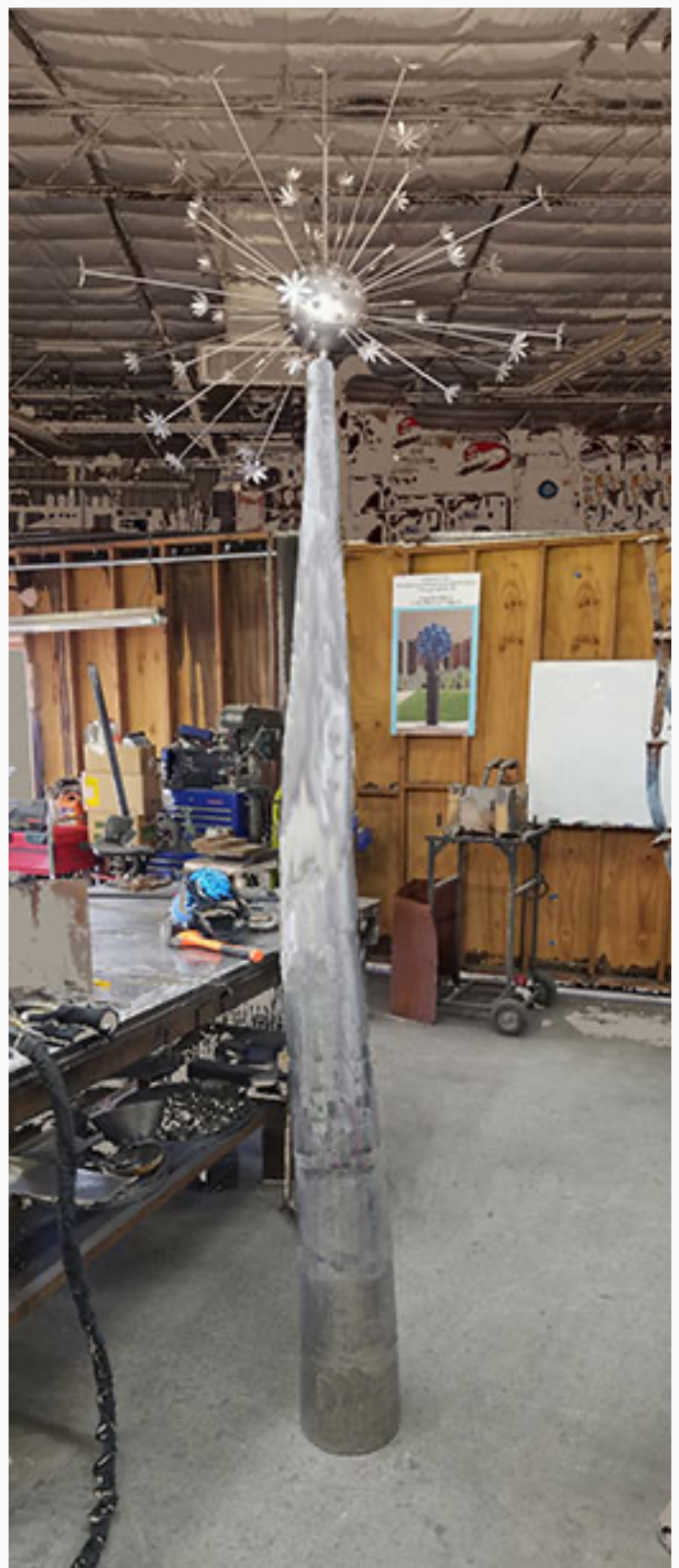
**Schubertii**, the monumental aluminum sculpture that has been dominating the studio since January, is finally at the powder coater. It was commissioned for a private sculpture and horticultural garden in New York that features a number of Kevin's works. This outdoor sculpture has a lot of moving parts - literally. The ball and the flowers at the end of their long branches will all spin. Although it cannot be completely assembled until after it's powder coated, Kevin used the magic of Photoshop to create a "Frankenphoto" (*right*) to see what it will look like. This photo has never been seen publicly before. "It's a quick-and-dirty cut-and-paste," Kevin admits, "but it does give you an idea of what it will look like, even before it receives its colorful finish." Check in to [see Schubertii grow](#).

Kevin has also been working on an **as-yet-untitled kinetic sculpture**. This will spin, too, albeit with a single spinner in the middle. "It's tricky to get a sculpture like this level and even, which it must be to work," says Kevin. He's almost there, though - [check out its Webpage](#) to see the progress.

On the 3D-printing front, Kevin has created a radiant new sculpture titled **Spectre**, which will debut at the upcoming [Five15 to the Fifth](#) show in Phoenix. "It will be so interesting to see how people react to it when they see it in person," Kevin says.

With Schubertii at the powder coater, Kevin is turning his attention to 2 new commissions, both water sculptures. One is based on Kevin's sculptural fountain **Spiral Eddy** - it's headed to a historic home in Rancho Mirage, California. The other is part of his popular stacked dish design, as epitomized by the water sculpture **Dripping Springs**. "I enjoy making variations on this one, too," says Kevin.

Completed since our last newsletter are the colorful floor sculpture **High Simmer** as well as the sound sculptures **EyeSing** and **Sound | Silence**. EyeSing has already found a home in Prescott,



Arizona, thanks to [Van Gogh's Ear](#), the Prescott gallery that shows Kevin's work. "The minute we installed it, EyeSing started living up to its title, singing merrily," says Kevin. See [Sound | Silence](#) and [EyeSing](#) on their respective Web pages.

*Stay tuned to Kevin's [Work in progress](#) Website section to watch his sculptures come to life.*

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## NEW IN 3D PRINTING BLOG: SHOWS AND STRUCTURE



Kevin provides insights into working with the fascinating - and sometimes frustrating - technology of 3D printing in his blog "[A Sculptor's Take on 3D Printing.](#)"

In his latest blog posts, Kevin shares the excitement generated at the inaugural [Sculpture Tucson](#) art show, where he had a 3D printer running - and sold 5 3D-printed sculptures, including [Oculum](#) (*left*). He also blogged about a new approach to creating 3D-printed forms.

*Enjoy these posts now:*

- "[3D-printed sculpture storms Tucson](#)" - Many of the thousands of people who attended [Sculpture Tucson](#) were fascinated by Kevin's Cerberus 250 3D printer - and the sculptures that he makes using this process ....
- "[Getting it together: connecting 3D prints](#)" - Kevin took a different approach to creating a sculpture's structure to fascinating effect ....

*You can always read more about the evolving world of 3D printing at <http://www.kevincaron.com/3dprint>, where there are many posts, beginning with the start of Kevin's 3D-printing adventures.*

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## NEW VIDEOS ON CHANNEL KEVIN

Kevin's crazy letters contest created a flurry of excitement on his YouTube channel in May. "I had no idea that this would cause such a firestorm!" he says. You can see [the video that started it all](#), and the announcement of the winners in a [second video](#).

Kevin also added 2 new videos (*below*) about his journey as an artist. "People ask me all the time about how I became and function as an artist, either because they like my work or because they want to develop their own career."

Kevin adds new videos every week, so be sure to [subscribe on YouTube](#) to know what is coming up next.

Here are the videos Kevin has added since our last newsletter:

- ["Win a Stick / TIG Welder in This Crazy Contest!"](#)
- ["Announcing our Contest Winners!"](#)
  
- ["Awakening as an Artist"](#)
- ["Why Each of my 3D-Printed Sculptures Is Unique"](#)
  
- ["How to Powder Coat Metal in Your Own Workshop"](#)
- ["How to Make a French Cleat for Hanging Heavy Items"](#)
- ["How to 'Stick' \(Arc\) Weld Thick Metal"](#)
- ["How to Work Alone: Using Jigs for Welding"](#)
- ["How to Move Your Hands When TIG Welding"](#)
- ["How to Prevent 'Blowout' When Welding Thick Metal to Thin"](#)

You can [see all of the videos and subscribe](#) to see each video as it comes out on [Channel Kevin](#) on YouTube and on Kevin's [Web site](#).

### **SPECIAL OFFERS AND OPPORTUNITIES!**

Enjoy Kevin's free videos? You can sponsor him so he can keep making these awesome videos for you! Just [go to Patreon](#) and see how you can help - and get some cool Kevin Caron swag!

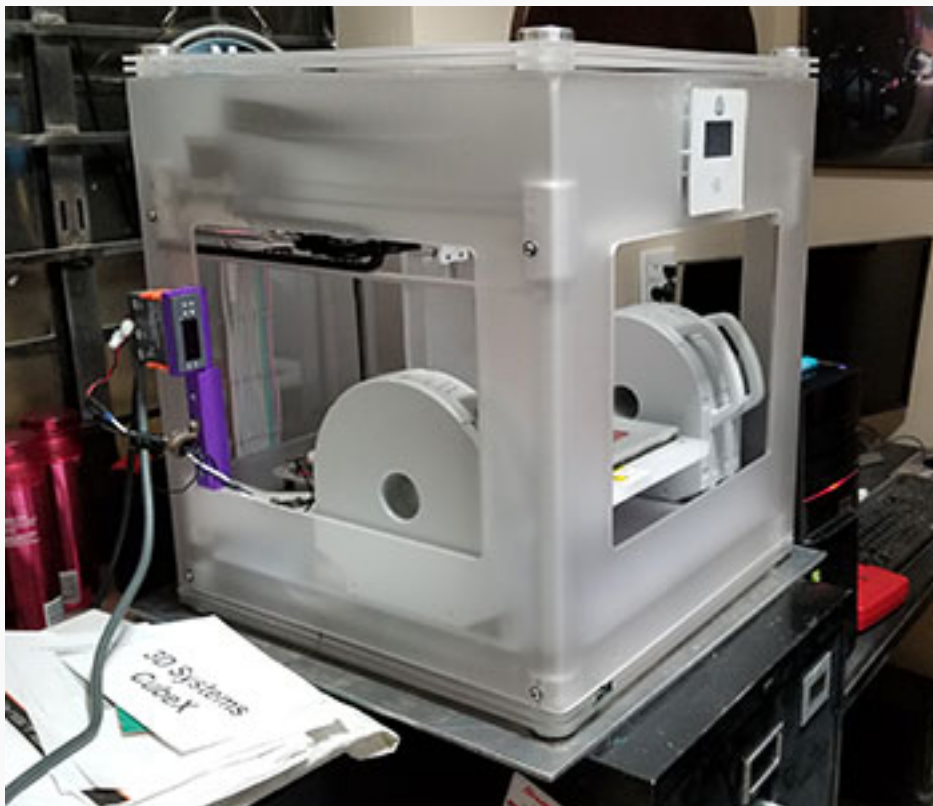
You can also [buy your own Kevin Caron T-shirts, caps, stickers, mugs, etc.](#) by going directly to his Zazzle page - check it out!





## BEHIND THE SCENES: 'WHAT IS YOUR NEWEST TOOL?'

"My newest tool isn't really a new tool at all; it's just new at the studio. After being overcautious about bringing 3D printers to the studio, I decided to take a chance and bring down my oldest 3D printer, my **3D Systems CubeX**.



"My reluctance was based on the fact that I *make* dirt at the studio - all that cutting, grinding and welding creates a lot of crud. I could sweep every morning and still have dirt covering everything by the end of the day. Because 3D printers are sensitive and even a little twitchy at times, I didn't think the studio would be a good place for one.

"But I decided that it'd be a good diversion during the brutal heat of a Phoenix summer, so I set up the CubeX in my studio office. It's separate from the main work area

and air conditioned, which helps, although it still gets pretty filthy. The printer isn't just running well, it's running great! So far I've printed 2 pieces on it, both of which have given me headaches before.

"Because this 3D printer can easily handle ABS (acrylonitrile butadiene styrene, the same thing Lego bricks are made of), it's good to have this kind of filament around. My other 2 printers do best with PLA (polylactic acid) filament, which is corn oil based and biodegradable. ABS is petroleum based and more durable.

"Shortly after I got those 2 good prints, though, the control for the heated bed - which I had added to the machine to improve adherence of the prints to the tray - died. So now I have a little project to complete before I am able to print again. (Remember what I said about twitchy?)

"It's all just part of 3D printing in these 'Model T' days ...."

*You can ask Kevin your own questions. Just email them to [info@kevincaron.com](mailto:info@kevincaron.com).*



## UPCOMING EVENTS

See Kevin's work at these exciting events - for locations and maps, click on the names of the venues or [visit the Events page](#):

- **July 6 (Friday) - August 26 (Sunday), Phoenix, Arizona** - Kevin's sculpture [Spectre](#) will debut at the "**Seventh Annual Five15 to the Fifth**" art show at **Chartreuse Gallery**, [1301 NW Grande Ave.](#) in the heart of Phoenix's art district
- **October 30 (Tuesday), Goodyear, Arizona** - Sponsored by the city of Goodyear, Kevin's talk "From Truck Driving to High Tech: Kevin Caron's Curious Journey as a Sculptor" will be held at **Goodyear Total Wine & More**, [1416 N. Litchfield Rd.](#)



For more information about these and other upcoming events as well as maps, visit the [Events page](#).

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## ENJOY YOUR OWN KEVIN CARON



**Kevin is creating a version of this water sculpture, Spiral Eddy, for a patron in California.**

**Maybe it's *your* turn to own a Kevin Caron original. A sound, water or free-standing sculpture adds immeasurable joy and peace to your home or workplace - or that of a special friend or family member.**

**If you'd like Kevin to create something special for you or a friend, just schedule a private consultation.**

**Or if you live out of town, just call or send a snapshot of the area where you want to see something special.**

**Kevin looks forward to hearing from you at [info@kevincaron.com](mailto:info@kevincaron.com) or 602-952-8767.**



For more frequent news, sights and sounds, keep an eye on Kevin's Web site at [www.kevincaron.com](http://www.kevincaron.com) - we update it often.

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