KEVIN CARON STUDIOS

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MUSeINGS - News from Kevin Caron

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WELCOME 2021!

Perhaps no year has been so eagerly anticipated in a century. Most of us have high expectations of 2021, but it won't be hard to better last year.

Here's to a fabulous year for us all!

Now to celebrate doings at Kevin Caron Studios

ACTIVITY AFAR - AND EVEN FARTHER!

Last year <u>InArt Gallery Santa Fe</u> began carrying Kevin's metal and 3D-printed sculpture. Now that owner Michael McKosky is curating the entire grounds of <u>Four Seasons</u>

Resort Rancho Encantado Santa

Fe, he requested more of Kevin's outdoor sculpture.

The beautiful grounds now feature

Halo (right), Big Ben and several
ocotillos and Sweet Gum Balls.

"They look right at home there," says
Kevin. "We hope people fall in love
with them for their own homes."

ALSO EXCITING is a recent sale to a patron in Luxembourg, who purchased the sculpture Cornered.

"This is a fun piece, a bit of a puzzle," says Kevin. "I hope they enjoy it!"





ZIG ZAG AND HIGH SIMMER HEAD HOME

When a Phoenix patron wanted some fine art to complement her beautiful contemporary remodel, she turned to Kevin.

"She purchased 2 sculptures I really love," says Kevin. Now <u>High Simmer</u>, which you can <u>see on its own page</u>, energizes her new great room, while Kevin's sound sculpture <u>Zig Zag</u> (*left*) makes music outside. "She has

gotten lots of compliments on the sculptures already!" says Kevin. <u>See Zig Zag</u> on its own page.



are interested.

IN THE NEWS: Gift guide and 'Calendar Girl'

Even in the oddest year, it was that time for giving and receiving. That's why Kevin was pleased to have his sound bowl **Sweet and Low** included in **Phoenix Home & Garden's Gift Guide**. Sweet and Low has now sold, but another sound bowl, **Evermore** (left), is still available - please contact Kevin if you

WHAT A LOVELY SURPRISE to discover that <u>Stepping Out</u>, which was purchased earlier this year by the <u>Matilda & Karl Pfeiffer Museum</u> in Piggot, Arkansas, is featured in the museum's 2021 calendar for October. "Now this is a fun way to celebrate that month," says Kevin.

NEW 'SWAG' AVAILABLE

Some people love Kevin's work and want to be supportive, but a sculpture isn't in their plans.

That's why he has developed a new line of **totes**, **T-shirts**, **stickers**, **magnets** and **mugs**. "They feature sculpture designs and also fun graphics for people who like the fabrication side of things," says Kevin.

<u>See - and buy - them from</u>
<u>Kevin's Website</u>. It's a great way to support Kevin!



IN THE STUDIO: Curves and Waves

With <u>Satin She</u> completed - <u>see</u>
<u>Satin She</u> lighted on her own
Webpage! - and the sound
sculpture <u>Big Ben</u> now at <u>Four</u>
<u>Seasons Resort Rancho Encantado</u>
<u>Santa Fe</u>, Kevin has been focusing on his commission <u>Welcome</u> (right, just after installation).

"This is a complex sculpture," Kevin says. "I'm very excited about how it has turned out, and so are the patrons - I love how a sculpture develops its own life." Watch Welcome's page for its official photo.



Since his last newsletter, Kevin was also busy finishing up some <u>ocotillos</u>, <u>Shitake Agaves</u> and <u>Sweet Gum Balls</u> for Santa Fe as well as creating some for the holiday season and beyond. Says Kevin: "I love paying tribute to nature."

Kevin also is working on **Upthrust**, a non-commissioned sculpture he started not long ago. Additionally, he is preparing to begin 2 new commissions,

<u>a sound sculpture</u> titled <u>Nepenthe</u> and a **fireplace sculpture**. Stay tuned to watch these pieces develop!

Meanwhile, Kevin has decided to paint **SoundWaves**, the 3D-printed sculpture that <u>changed color dramatically</u> - until it didn't. He's fabricated a pedestal for it (see below in "New in 3D Printing") and decided to have it professionally painted. "The main body of the sculpture just doesn't look finished to me now that the color change capability has failed." After presenting several color combinations on <u>Facebook</u> and <u>Instagram</u> to get feedback, he came up with a look he really likes (below). **See how SoundWaves looks right now** on its own page and stay tuned to see its paint job.

Finally - watch and hear - all of Kevin's sculpture on his <u>Website</u> - it is kept current. And join Kevin on <u>Facebook</u> and <u>Instagram</u>, where he posts daily.



NEW IN 3D PRINTING: Mashups and finishes

Creating large 3D-printed sculpture is not for the faint of heart, as Kevin has proven over the last 5 years. He shares his experiences in his free blog "A Sculptor's Adventures With 3D Printing."

Enjoy these posts since Kevin's last newsletter:

- "Mixing Media: 3D-Printed and Metal Together" - Kevin brings together his 2 main media in this intriguing sound sculpture, SoundWaves (left, in a color rendering)
- "When Is a Sculpture's Finish
 Finished?" The failure of
 SoundWaves' color-changing
 properties left an "unbaked" looking
 finish, raising new challenges....

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read past posts and find out first about the latest free blog posts by visiting <u>"A</u> <u>Sculptor's Adventures With 3D Printing."</u>

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ON CHANNEL KEVIN

Kevin's more than 600 free videos, which have been viewed more than 22 million times, cover a variety of



topics, from *how* to *why* he creates his sculptures. Says viewer Robin Trauterman: "I've learned more from your videos in a month than any other videos out there." Kevin tries to keep it fun, too. (Have you ever watched to the very end of the videos?)

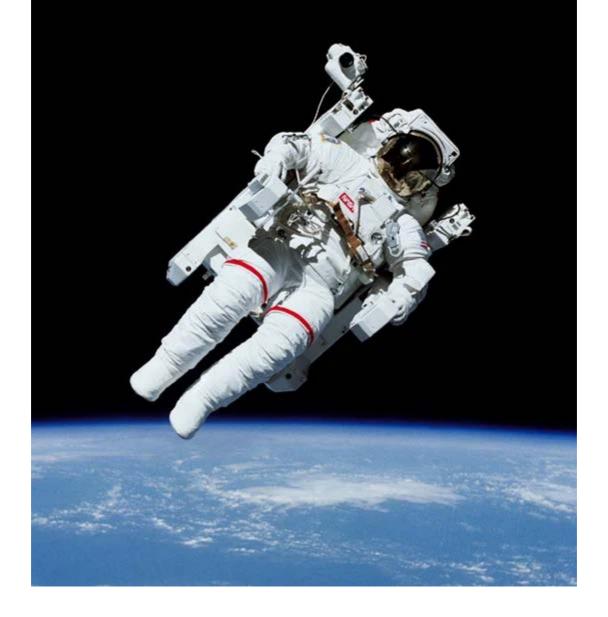
Here are the videos he's created since his last newsletter:

- "How to Easily Improve Your Welds and Safety"
- "How to Draw a Perfect Circle Without Fancy Tools"
- "Flux Core vs. Solid Core Welding"
- "How to Weld With Flux Core Beginning to End"
- "How to Develop a Successful Art Career: Shipping"

Join Kevin's 84,000 video subscribers to see the newest free additions or visit his Website, where there are videos and art, too!

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BEHIND THE SCENES: 'If you could go anywhere and do anything, where would you go and what would you do?'



"I'd go to space.

"I've always been fascinated with flight and was disappointed my eyesight kept me from even flying planes during my military service.

"So going to the Space Station for, say, a week, would be a dream come true.

"While I was there, I'd love to take photographs. And I'd like to play with the effects of zero gravity in a vacuum. I could go outside in a spacesuit and try creating and welding. (Hmmm, I wonder if I'd need shielding gas to weld)

"Today, with private companies going into space, it doesn't seem all that crazy - maybe my dreams will come true!"

- Kevin

UPCOMING EVENTS

Kevin's sculptures are included in both virtual and in-person exhibits. For maps, visit the Website's **Events** section.

- Present October
 2022, Tucson, Arizona This
 2-year exhibition
 includes Kevin's kinetic
 sculpture <u>Gyre</u>.
- Present January 7
 (Thursday Thursday),
 Phoenix, Arizona Kevin's
 sculptures <u>Sweet Gum Ball</u>
 and <u>Shitake Agave</u> are part of
 "Reclaimed" at the <u>Shemer</u>
 Art Center.
- February 13 July 4
 (Saturday Sunday), Tucson,
 Arizona Kevin's sculpture
 Finn (right) has been juried in for Sculpture Tucson
 Inaugural Exhibition, the first event at Sculpture Tucson's new sculpture park.



■ **RESCHEDULED TO FALL, Tucson, Arizona** - Kevin will be displaying his work at the third annual **Sculpture Tucson**.

For more information about these and any upcoming events as well as maps, visit the Website **Events page**.



ENJOY ONE OF YOUR OWN

After seeing <u>Igneous</u> (*left*), a Flagstaff, Arizona, patron has commissioned <u>a fireplace</u> <u>sculpture</u>.

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.

Kevin is glad to create something special for you or a friend; just schedule a private consultation. If you live out of town, simply call or send a photo of the area where you want to see something special.

He also has sculpture currently available. <u>Contact him</u> to find out more. Kevin looks forward to hearing from you at <u>info@kevincaron.com</u> or <u>602-952-8767</u>.

Find out more about getting one of your own!

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