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ILLUSTRATOR INTERVIEW

1. What is your technique and medium of drawing and painting?

I use a variety of mediums and like to combine them in my work. Primarily using pen, colored pencil, and a variety of paints including watercolor, gouache, and acrylic.

2. How do you get inspired to produce a piece of artwork?

I try to choose a subject that speaks to me or is aesthetically interesting to spark excitement. Having artistic freedom allows me to create a variety of subjects and styles depending on my mood and expression I am trying to convey.

3. What artist inspires you?

My favorite artist of all time is Norman Rockwell however, the artists that inspire me the most are the classics. This includes DaVinci, Degas, Monet, Botticelli, Rodin, and Klimt just to name a few.

4. What do you do to overcome a creative block?

If I encounter a creative block I tend to take a break from the piece I am working on and work on a piece that is lighter and speaks to me at the time. This allows for my brain to take a little break and refresh to begin again.

5. When did you start illustrating?

I have loved creating art since I was a child. I began truly appreciating illustration and began pursuing it during college when I chose to minor in studio arts.

6. What does art mean to you?

Art is an expression of oneself, it allows us to express our feelings and thoughts through images and show others how we interpret or view life.

7. Tell us an unexpected fun fact about you.

I showcased a mini collection of wedding gowns that I designed and handmade in New York Fashion Week 2012.

8. Where are you from and what places would you love to visit one day?

I am from Cape Cod, Massachusetts but currently live in Colorado Springs, Colorado and move around a lot due to my husband being in the Army. My dream vacation destinations would be Vatican City and all of Italy and Scotland, Ireland and England.

