

My Monopoly Art Game

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Places to display art

- Museums: Institutions that preserve art collections
- Art galleries: Institutions that display art
- Private galleries: Galleries owned by individuals
- Art clubs: Clubs that display art
- Corporate offices: Offices where art can be displayed
- Restaurants: Restaurants where art can be displayed
- Home shows: Events where art can be displayed

--Wikipedia

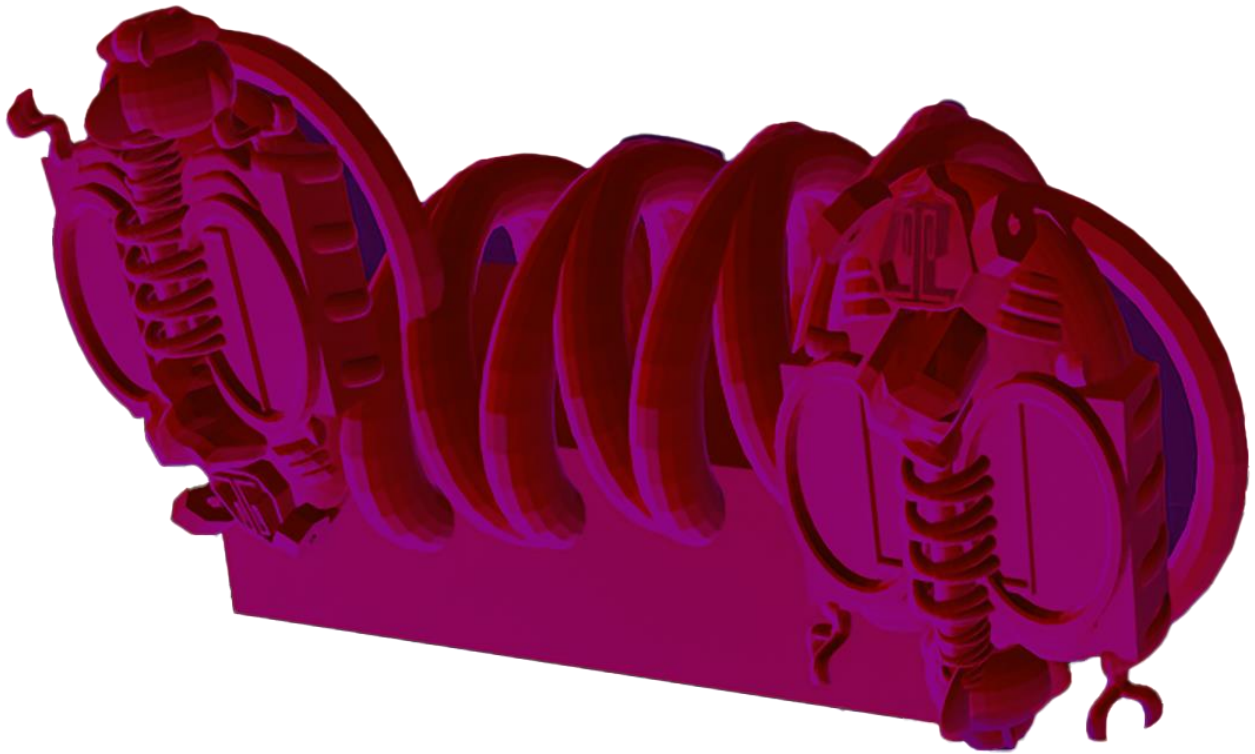
One situation confronting digital artists is how to display the work because the places listed above may not work for digital art. Missing from this list are game boards, such as Monopoly. In this instance, markers are the subject for tiny sculptures.

Following is a catalog of my markers:

The Chromosome



The Chromosome is loosely based on the Mayan Sun God with other Mayan cosmic entities mixed in for good measure. Sometimes, when the Sun God appeared in his 2-headed form, the front head was in the normal position, but the back head was upside down. The back head is a Death's Head. The horizontal symmetry of the Chromosome means that the image on the Monopoly marker cannot be oriented by normal right/left directions because with a 180-degree rotation, you see the front and rear heads are the same. This is the Modern Caduceus, (another name for the Chromosome) not the classic Greco-Roman configuration. This marker comes in two colors, yellow and blue.



The Trivet



In 1972, I bought an incense burner for my wife, Lorna, as a Christmas present. It cost \$40. As we didn't have very much money, Lorna wasn't very happy with my gift to her, but over time, she grew to love it. The expense was forgotten.

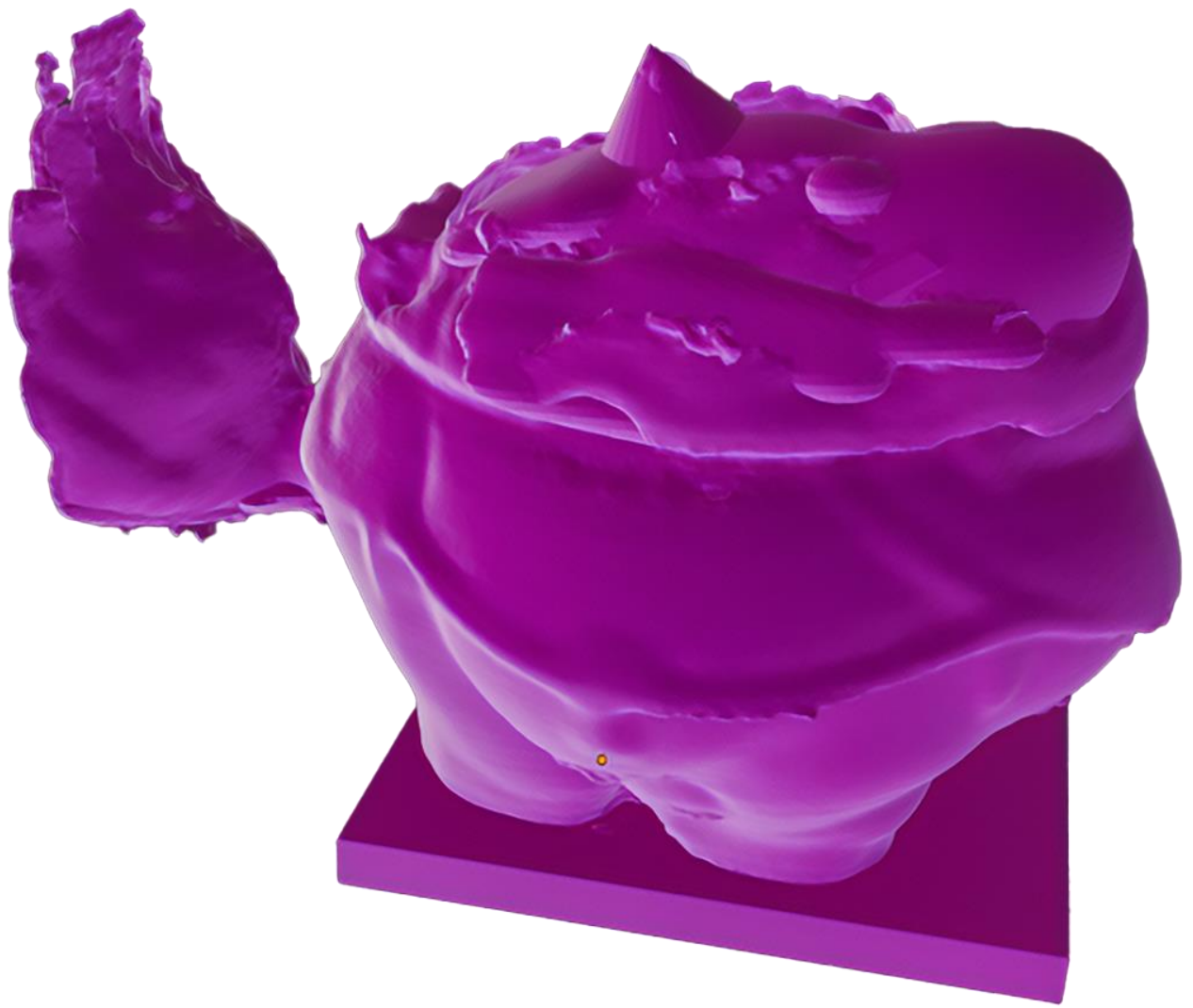
At some point, she asked me what it represented. I told her it was a Trivet (which of course, it wasn't). A trivet is a kitchen tool, originally a tripod, that the cook rested something hot on to protect the countertop.

Looking closely at our Trivet, we could see it had some unique features. It appears to be

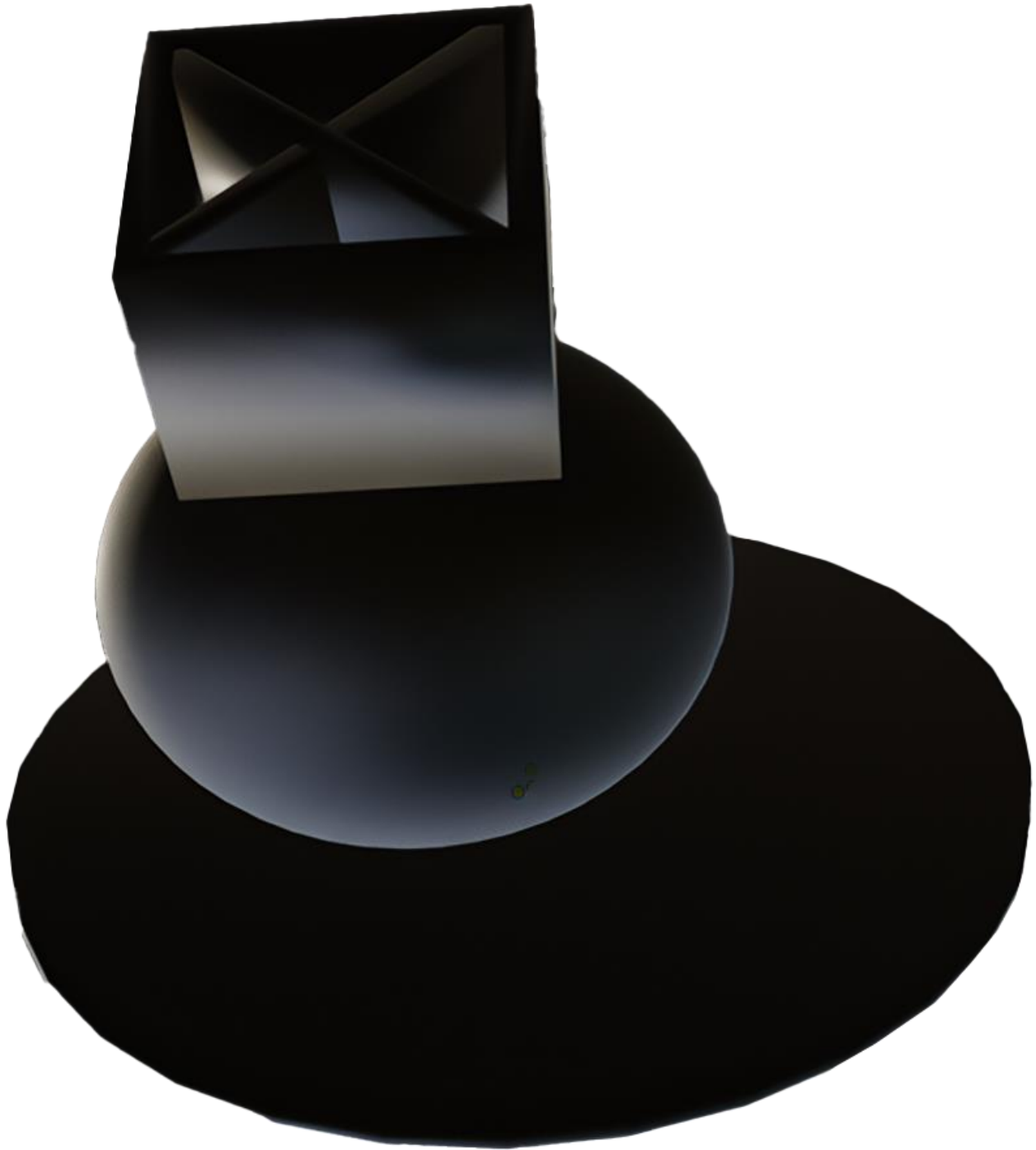
1. A unicorn
2. A hippopotamus with fangs
3. A rooster

In Western mythology, such a creature is a chimera. Later, we found Hindu or Buddhist Temple guardians or dragons that were similar.

The Trivet comes in 3 colors and 2 sizes: Red, Blue and Yellow. Red and Blue are the same size with Yellow being the smallest.



The Bomb



The Bomb is a Monopoly marker derived from the Trinity test of the first atom bomb. This bomb changed international relationships. It changed the nature of civilization. Logically, The Bomb is the most powerful marker on the board, but how this will express itself is as yet

unknown except for two historic examples. It comes in one size and black only.

Mr. Milk Bottle Contemplates



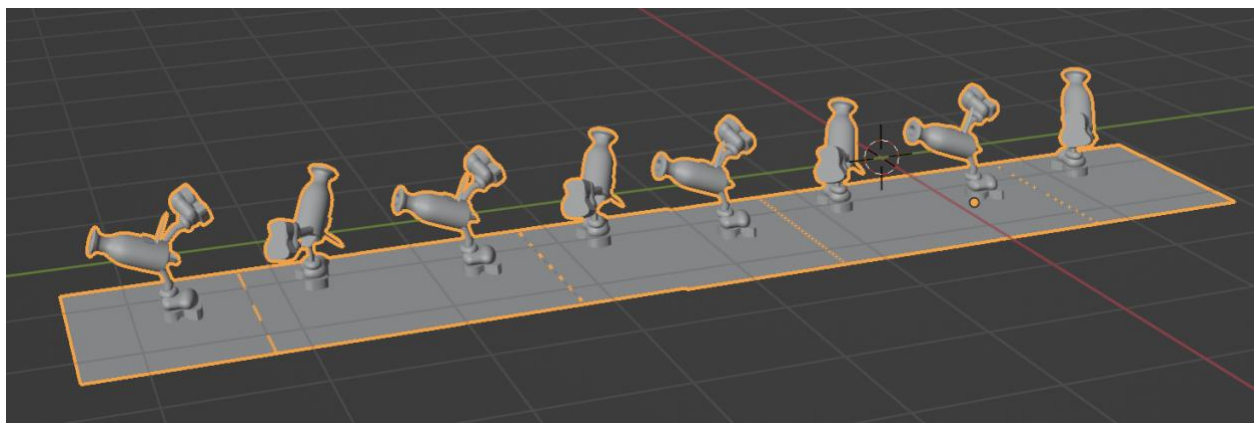
This sculpture was done for Jim and Ellen Hubbell, but in 2 dimensions only. I converted the sculpture to 3-D and reduced its size. I feel this little sculpture presents the best aspects of MMB in relationship to Monopoly.

I am not a game person. It is very likely I am the worst player of Monopoly, ever. I can't recall ever winning at this game. I liked to buy railroads and utilities—bad financial investments in the traditional game. But what good is a hotel without power to run it or trains to take you to it? The best solution for me was to invent a new form of Monopoly, and that is what I've done with this art game.

I hope you have some fun!

Stop Action

Stop Action requires a bit more attention.



I have described this arrangement of Mr. Milk Bottle marching variously as an 8 hour clock, or a film strip. The Bottles don't move, and the path

is fixed. It leads the player into an endless loop, unless the roll of the die ends the cycle. **Stop Action** is a major modification of the Monopoly cycle.

While **Stop Action** may be interpreted as a boom or bust manifestation of capitalism, relax.

It's just a game.

