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## Spotlight On Our Neighbor, Lynn Sevigny

Many people commission portraits of their families, even their dogs, but their homes? “Your home is part of your family story,” says longtime NT resident and artist Lynn Sevigny. Through her company, Moontide Designs, she creates custom home portraits, ranging from whimsical to representational.

If you’ve lived on the Terrace for a while, you’ve probably seen Lynn’s work up at the carousel. In 2008, the Loeff Carousal Committee commissioned Lynn to create “Winter’s Magic,” a beautiful, holiday scene. Even now, she remains engaged with the carousel, recently repainting the face that captures the brass ring.

Originally from Warren, Lynn first moved to the Terrace in 1981 when she rented an apartment at 124 Riverside for \$120. Since then, she’s moved away twice but always comes back and has now been a permanent resident since 2004. “This place is wonderful and an inspiration,” says Lynn.

Though a nurse by training, Lynn’s career as an artist took off after she took a technical illustration course—and she’s never looked back. “It’s fate. I went where I was supposed to go,” said Lynn of her years creating editorial illustrations for such clients as Kodak and Hasbro and as a Christmas ornament designer for the Danbury Mint.

Now, Lynn focuses mostly on private commissions, and her great love is home portraiture. If the subject is local, Lynn visits and takes photographs to figure out what angle best represents the charm and warmth of the home. To create the illustration, she uses ink, colored pencil, and a bit of Japanese markers. “They look painterly,” she says. The portraits are faithful representations, but Lynn often adds something special to delight the homeowner. “If you like cardinals, I might add a few in a tree. If you like UFOs, I might have one hovering over the house. I can add whatever you want,” she says. About a month and \$450 later, Lynn delivers a 9x12 portrait and a stack of note cards to show off the art to friends who may not be local. “The point of the portraits is honoring where you live and remembering where you came from. I love tradition and I’m nostalgic.”



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Lynn’s popular home portraits capture the charm of the neighborhood.