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*Wishing all of you a Happy Thanksgiving! I am truly grateful for the opportunity to know each of you and I love it when you stop by to say hello and catch up for a bit. Thank you for supporting my artwork and for the friendship. Hope to see more of you in the coming months!*

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## **Featured Painting**

**"Waking Up"**

36" x 48" Acrylic

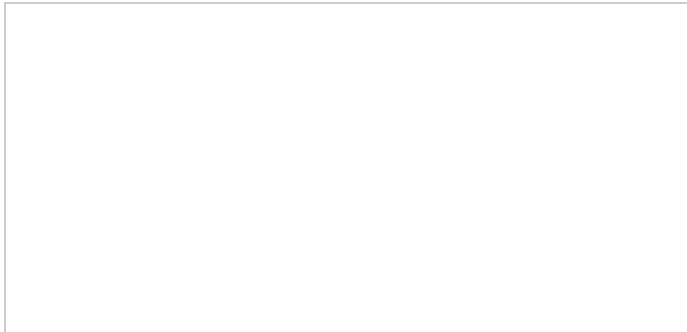


*Empty boats are one of my favorite subjects to paint because of the peaceful feelings they evoke. There is a story by Chuang Tzu that implies a perfect man is like an empty boat. It isn't going anywhere and there is nobody steering it or manipulating it. The boat is just there.*

*"If a man is crossing a river  
And an empty boat collides with his own skiff,  
Even though he is a bad-tempered man  
He will not become very angry.  
But if he sees a man in the boat,  
He will shout to him to steer clear.  
And if the shout is not heard he will shout  
Again, and yet again, and begin cursing -  
And all because there is somebody in that boat.  
Yet if the boat were empty,  
He would not be shouting, and he would not be angry." -Chuang Tzu*

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**~More Artwork~**





**"Chill Lounge"**  
24" x 36" Acrylic



**"Nantucket Doorway"**  
24" x 30" Oils



**"New Bloom"**  
5" x 7" Acrylic



**"Saturday Retreat"**  
4" x 12" Acrylic



**"By the Shore"**  
4" x 12" Acrylic

~Mini Canvases~



**"Solitude"**  
3" x 4" Acrylic Mini  
Canvas



**"Quiet"**  
3" x 4" Acrylic Mini  
Canvas



**"Sunning"**  
3" x 4" Acrylic Mini  
Canvas

**Pet Portrait Commission**



**"Brewster"**  
5" x 7" Acrylic

~Colton~

**Thankful for  
the time I get  
with this guy.  
There is  
something  
magical about  
seeing the  
world through  
his eyes.**



**UPCOMING SHOWS**

**Nov. 25th & 26th**  
Punta Gorda Thanksgiving Sullivan  
Street Festival



**Dec. 30th & 31st**  
**Coconut Point New Years Art Festival**

**Jan. 6th & 7th**  
**Naples New Years Downtown Art Fair**

**Jan. 13th & 14th**  
**Bonita Springs Art Festival**

**Jan. 20th & 21st**  
**Lakewood Ranch Festival of the Arts**

**Jan. 27th & 28th**  
**St. Armands Art Festival**

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