VALENTALE "Marelyn's Magic

"Always fascinated by nature and its never ending beauty, I have made the Southwest my home and obsession. My environment is very important to me because it is my source of inspiration. Not only the clean simplicity of the high desert fascinates me, but the ever changing light and its intensity give me the enthusiasm to continue exploring color, texture and form." Dan VALENTINE

Truly these words lend insight into the paintings and mixed media works on paper by Arizona artist Dan VALENTINE. His stylized paintings are compositions of fantastic line and passionate Southwestern hues. Inspired by the relationship between the female form and the calla lily, VALENTINE creates a unique blending of positive and negative space, incorporating the same colors and textures in the two.

Dan VALENTINE was born and raised in Oxford, Michigan. He attended Central Michigan University where he studied drawing, sculpture and education. VALENTINE entered the Southwest via New Mexico where he taught for seven years, including one year on the Jicarillo Apache Indian Reservation, two years at the Santa Fe Preparatory School, and four years at the New Mexico School for the Deaf. Today he resides in Prescott, Arizona.

"My work has a constant quality and style, making it easily recognizable as being a VALENTINE. I want to be collected by people who enjoy what I do, who I am." The work of VALENTINE is in selected galleries throughout the Southwest and in many private and public collections.

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