

Finished Work The "Lady of Justice" painting



You may remember from the June newsletter that I was working on this painting from a sketch which was sent to me by my client. The challenge was to give solid form and detail to a line drawing. I used the graduated black and white background to represent the various shades of truth in law.

9 Tips for Hanging Artwork

1. The centre point of the painting should be at eye level for the average person.
2. Relate art to wall size - smaller pictures for narrow walls and larger works for big wall spaces.
3. When hanging art over a piece of furniture it should not be longer than the furniture (ideally 75% of the length).
4. Pay attention to balance in the entire room. Be careful not to put everything in one part of the room.
5. Bigger can be better. One large painting makes a statement and keeps things simple.
6. Trust your eyes. Measure first, but if it still looks wrong it generally is.
7. The grouping of paintings in a horizontal line (such as my triptych below) can give the illusion of width in a narrow room.



8. Hang pictures with hooks rated for the weight of the painting. Use 2 screws which will ensure the painting hangs flush with the wall.
9. To keep the artwork hanging straight, take a piece of Blu-Tack and place it between a corner and the wall. You should never have to straighten the picture again!

Artist Profile: Pablo Picasso

Did you know...

- Picasso is estimated to have created 13,500 paintings.
- Picasso's other talents included sculpture, printmaking, ceramic art and stage designing.
- When Picasso was only 13 he arranged an exhibition of his paintings at the back of an umbrella store.
- The painting 'Garçon a la Pipe' fetched a record price of \$104 million at Sotheby's in 2004.
- [Picasso's Unknown Masterpiece](#)

What am I working on at the moment?



A client from the U.S. has commissioned this painting of his friend's beloved Cougar, with his business franchise behind. The background is coming along well... the duco still needs a bit of work!

Special points of interest:

- You can now download a [PDF version](#) of all newsletters from my website.
- Article "[The Smallest Sculpture in the World](#)" It fits inside the eye of a needle!

"Others have seen what is and asked why. I have seen what could be and asked why not."

- Pablo Picasso

A favourite portrait commission from last year - "Pedro".



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