

NOV/11/2016 - Artist Highlight: Lady Rain!

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Hi All! Um... so... wow, quite the week because... well, come on the whole world knows why. <_< You know... in a world that seems to be getting increasingly nationalist / xenophobic / sexist / racist ... and whatever other exceptionally ugly terms apply, it's starting to feel like Canada is an island in the middle of a raging sea. I have never been more proud or relieved to be here, yet, also have never felt more longing to also reach out and show the rest of the world that it doesn't have to be the way everyone else seems to be painting it to be. I think Jimi Hendrix once put it best when he said:

"When the power of love overcomes the love of power, the world will know peace."

Amen brother. Never stop fighting for and believing in equality, human rights, dignity and honour, and always stand up for it against those who do not.

I just have to say that I hope everyone is trying to stay safe out there! I'll be sleeping off work exhaustion myself.

hides under a rock Personal request that we pretend this week never happened in the comments. Already trying to avoid media as it is.

Well I had to shell out £20 and two boxes of donuts after the "big event". Win some, lose some! :P Let's keep the spirits up this week folks, and let's do so by seeing what paws have caught our eye this week.

TC's Random Music Pick

Thomas Azier - Ghostcity (2013)

Nice, solid and steady dance tune! You might recognize this from the first Season of "Lucifer" one of the many awesome songs that series has. I like that it's got a nice tempo - not too overly fast, good melody (without the use of auto-tune... which is way, way over-used today) and lots of synth!

VampireKitty's Random Music Pick

Ed Sheeran - "I See Fire" - 2013

So I was going to pick a more character/story inspired song this week, but this one's resonating quite strongly now. So there we go. Yeah kind of in an eerie somber mood.

Rylae's Random Music Pick

The Five Stars "Atom Bomb Baby" - 1957

So I'll admit that I do have a thing for some classic music. This one for me is just so dang catchy that I can forget about the moment! ^.^

Loki's Random Music Pick

Joe Satriani - "San Fransico Blue" - 2015

It's been a hell of a week altogether, after many long shifts and with the weekend finally here, i wanna flop, relax, and take it easy with some lazy music. So give this a listen and join me in a weekend of relaxation!

Artist Move Notice

<u>Voondahbayosh</u> is closing out his FA account! He will be removing all art eventually, so I would suggest heading over to the gallery and downloading your favourite paw pics (there are a lot of them) as most will not be reposted elsewhere. Details are in the journal here: https://www.furaffinity.net/journal/7905611/

Open for Sales/Commissions

Alishka:

- General commissions
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/journal/7907283/

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- Foot-worship YCH (paw-loving/friendly artist!)
 - http://www.furaffinity.net/view/21675402/

Rokemi:

- General commissions (paw-friendly artist)
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/journal/7915850/

Skye:

- General commissions (paw-loving/friendly artist!)
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/commissions/skye/

Yuniwolfsky:

- General commissions
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/journal/7916766/

GENERAL LEGEND

nsfw = Nudity and/or adult situation
nsfw-ish = Impending adult situation, suggestive nudity
sfw-ish = mostly safe, but implied pending adult stuff, or anatomically correct bumps. :P
sfw = hopefully won't damage anyone's brains if they see it on your screen

m = male
f = female

f-h = mostly female hermaphrodite **m-h** = mostly male hermaphrodite

h = hermaphrodite (50/50 for m/f)

tm = transgender/inter-sexed, identifies as male
tf = transgender/inter-sexed, identifies as female

gn/u = gender neutral or gender unknown

macro = super-sized characters involved
micro = tiny sized characters involved
reference = character reference sheet

paws-only. = Paws Only; IE, the image is just footpaws/feet

foot-worship = picture denoting worship/love of feet or paws via sniffing, lciking, nuzzling, etc. **foot-presentation** = picture where the character is purposely showing of their feet to the viewer

foot-tease = similar to above, but where it's more of a playful/purposeful tease at the viewer

TCO! = Tame Comments Only (don't post suggestive or sexual comments on artists page; they don't want/like it)

Light-BDSM = Light bondage type play picture such as basic restraints or shibari

BDSM = more intense bondage, discipline, control, dominance, etc.

human = picture showing a human - in read to stand out for those who don't like human pics!

Footpaw Classification System:

C1 to C5

Visit the document below to learn abou the system we use (w/examples):

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1Z79nYW0UbUd14dKC5aRN5Kk9S30QnJ-tquovV5YZCXE/edit?us p=sharing

Most Pawesome Picture

by ZP92

(C1: sfw-ish -- f/f -- Pokemon; charizard, dragon -- foot-tease)

http://www.deviantart.com/art/The-Sub-644196679 https://www.furaffinity.net/view/21640369/

I don't know about y'all, but I would *not* have any issues paying attention in Ms. Zard's class. And talk about how to get the class's attention when announcing the substitute teacher for the week! Both of them have some really awesome looking soles, each a bit different. I really love how detailed Ms. Zard's soles are - and she's got a really nice proportion to them too with big, wide toes and a gracious sole. Very, very nice C1 type feet.:)

Foot & Paw Art from this Week

3DiNoZ:

- (C4: sfw -- m -- feline; lion -- foot-presentation)
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/view/21655241/
- (C4: nsfw -- m/m -- canine, dragon-hyrbrid -- foot-worship) Most Pawesome Runner-Up!
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/view/21658270/
 - Great expressions on them both! The one on the top clearly loving that paw.
- (C4: sfw -- m -- Pokemon; Lucario -- foot-presentation)
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/view/21664592/
- (C3/C4: nsfw -- m -- dragon)
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/view/21679958/
- (C4: nsfw -- m -- dragon)

https://www.furaffinity.net/view/21649221/

Bitcoon:

- (C3: sfw-ish -- f/m -- canine; fox, canine: wolf -- foot-domination)
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/view/21639805/

Blueballs:

- (C3: nsfw -- m -- raccoon -- foot-self-worship, hypnosis)
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/view/21693512/

Cyborg-Steve:

- (C4: nsfw -- f/m -- dinosaur -- foot-worship/lounging, micro)
 - https://www.furaffinitv.net/view/21670215/

F-R95:

- (C4: nsfw -- f -- canine: dog)
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/view/21675565/
 - https://beta.furrynetwork.com/artwork/1345370/doggy/

FastTrack37D:

- (C4: nsfw -- m -- otter)
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/view/21674937/

FayV:

- (C4: sfw-ish -- m -- canine)
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/view/21655948/

Freckles:

- (C3: nsfw -- f -- rabbit -- Zootopia, foot-tease)
 - https://www.weasyl.com/submission/1401736/paw-rubs

Garnetto:

- (C4: nsfw -- m/m -- canine; sheppard & husky)
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/view/21678927/
- (C4: nsfw-ish -- m -- otter-dog)
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/view/21696614/

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Gravewalker:

- (C3: nsfw -- f -- Pokemon; furred-charizard)
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/view/21667572/
- (C3: sfw-ish -- f -- canine: wolf -- impending-stomp...ish)
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/view/21667678/

Huskeeburn21:

- (C3: nsfw -- m/m -- dragon, goat-monster -- Undertale)
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/view/21636781/

Jackaope (aka. PopcornPanic):

• (C4: sfw-ish -- f -- shark-hybrid)

https://www.furaffinity.net/view/21691177/

KrazyKurt:

- (C3: sfw -- f -- shark -- working-the-pedals)
 - http://www.deviantart.com/art/Drive-644290459 (hi-res)
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/view/21638788/
 - Transparent, virtual accelerator and brake pedals... that is cool!

Nazuu-m0nster:

- (C2: nsfw -- fh -- argonian)
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/view/21681772/

Nommz:

- (C2: nsfw-ish -- m/m/m -- canine -- micro, forced-paw-worship)
 - https://www.weasyl.com/submission/1402142/post-workout
 - https://beta.furrynetwork.com/artwork/1306351/post-workout/
- (C3: sfw-ish -- m/m -- dragon, snake -- macro, foot-worship) Most Pawesome Runner-Up!
 - https://www.weasyl.com/submission/1400916/happy-nuzzling
 - https://beta.furrynetwork.com/artwork/1306360/happy-nuzzling/

RedFeathers:

- (C1: sfw -- f -- ink-monster -- foot-tease) Most Pawesome Runner-Up!
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/view/21652721/
 - Now THAT would totally encourage me to get drawing a lot more than I currently do. :3
 - O.o... Now that is an interesting concept... and I think that would probably scare me into not drawing what I'm thinking all the time XD. Very nice though.

Rokemi:

- (C4: nsfw -- f -- feline; tiger)
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/view/21695073/

Rukis:

- (C4: nsfw -- m -- canine; fennec-fox)
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/view/21652386/

Shiuk:

- (C3: nsfw -- m -- alien -- Disney: Stitch)
 - https://www.weasyl.com/submission/1400817/2-12 (hi-res)
 - https://beta.furrynetwork.com/artwork/1344104/2-12/
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/view/21653177/

Skye:

- (C4: nsfw -- f -- feline; snow-leopard)
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/view/21670573/

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Tag Staggard:

- (C4: nsfw -- m -- canine; tanuki)
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/view/21654314/

Tal-Rex:

- (C3: sfw -- m -- lizard)
 - o https://www.weasyl.com/submission/1401132/casanova-basking

Tchaikovsky2:

- (C5: sfw -- f -- amphibian)
 - http://www.deviantart.com/art/L-azure-644892419
 - Another amazing and super-detailed 3D render from Tchai of Adreea's unique feet.

Tsaiwolf:

- (C4: sfw -- m -- canine; wolf)
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/view/21687472/

ValdericBlackstag:

- (C3: nsfw -- m -- alligator -- tentacles)
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/view/21657051/

Artist/Character Highlight: Lady Rain!

(a.k.a.: WinterSnoWolf)

Main Sites:

FA- http://www.furaffinity.net/user/WinterSnoWolf
Twitter- http://www.twitter.com/WinterSnoWolf

Alternative Sites:

Inkbunny- https://inkbunny.net/WinterSnoWolf

Weasyl- https://www.weasyl.com/~WinterSnoWolf

Furry Network- https://beta.furrynetwork.com/LadyRain

Inactive previous commission account FA- http://www.furaffinity.net/user/RainArtsInk

Work samples (picked by Lady Rain):

- (C4: nsfw -- m/f -- pokemon)
 - http://www.furaffinity.net/view/21612074/
- (C4: nsfw -- m/m f -- fox, rabbit -- Disney: Zootopia)
 - http://www.furaffinity.net/view/20374172/
- (C4: nsfw -- m -- canine)
 - http://www.furaffinity.net/view/16677060/
- (C4: nsfw -- m/f -- canine)
 - http://www.furaffinity.net/view/12449394/
- (C4: sfw-ish -- m -- canine)

- http://www.furaffinity.net/view/19438583/
- (C4: nsfw -- f/f -- dragon, canine)
 - http://www.furaffinity.net/view/12384767/
- (C4: nsfw -- m/m -- fox -- Disney: Zootopia)
 - http://www.furaffinity.net/view/18164595/
- (C4: nsfw -- m -- canine)
 - http://www.furaffinity.net/view/14887762/
- (C4: nsfw -- f -- feline taur)
 - http://www.furaffinity.net/view/15718879/
- (C4: sfw -- f -- feline)
 - http://www.furaffinity.net/view/13717231/
- (C4: nsfw -- f -- canine)
 - http://www.furaffinity.net/view/12731443/
- (C4: nsfw-ish -- m -- canine)
 - http://www.furaffinity.net/view/16527567/
- (C4: nsfw -- m/f -- canine)
 - http://www.furaffinity.net/view/10184367/
 - This one was a collab with NateDay on FA. I commissioned the sketch and then colored it with his permission.
- (C4: nsfw -- f/f -- canine)
 - http://www.furaffinity.net/view/10062399/
- (C4: nsfw -- m -- canine)
 - http://www.furaffinity.net/view/15245884/
- (C4: nsfw -- m -- fox)
 - http://www.furaffinity.net/view/14456804/
- (C4: nsfw -- f/f -- canine)
 - http://www.furaffinity.net/view/14082260/
- (C4: nsfw -- m -- feline)
 - http://www.furaffinity.net/view/14124271/
- (C4: nsfw -- m//f -- canine)
 - http://www.furaffinity.net/view/13572011/

Personal summary: Hello! I began in the fandom as WinterSnoWolf, and still use that screen name across lots of platforms, but most of these days I prefer to go by Lady Rain. Nearing 29 years old, and been establishing herself in the fandom for nearly a decade now. I love paws! So many pieces of my work features them, and they are always a pleasure to draw :D On the side, I do volunteer locally as a firefighter, and on my days off I enjoy going for bike rides/walks and spending time out in the Virginia countryside.

Comment preference: If the art's clean, keep the comments clean! If its smut, I don't care if its creepy. Give me something awesome to read and be entertained by haha. But seriously, any kind of pawsitive comment on any art is always well appreciated. Commenting is down so much these days, so anything left is always read & enjoyed.

Commission Info: Unlike many artists, I am always open. I keep it low key, and work down my list every day, M-F, 9am-5:30 PM EST. You can submit any of my forms for most everything I offer right here from my directory: www.Fox.ci/RainCom From there, I have all my commission forms, and inside each form is examples and pricing. All quotes are replied to via email within a few days time, and all quotes are no obligation ones! But they are only good for 30 days of course: Always happy to help design characters, or provide ideas on posing if clients are unsure what they would like! Im very easy to talk to, and I have high regard to keeping up good communication throughout the whole commission process. From providing multiple WIP stages, to encouraging my current paid clients to message me anytime to ask about if any progress has been made if they haven't heard from me in a little bit. Communication is always key and I strive for the very best.

Some QEA:

(TC) Hiya Lady Rain - welcome to the Paw-Post, and thanks for taking the time to be our highlight this week. Umm... I suppose the important first question to get out of the way is what alias do you prefer to go by, as you have a few?

(Lady Rain) My 1st online alias was WinterSnoWolf once upon an AIM day, and it kinda followed me into my art career. These days I prefer Lady Rain or just 'Lady' or 'Rain' if that's alright by you. In person if we are ever at non furry venues by all means, feel free to call me by my real name, Natalie instead.

(TC) Gotcha! We'll go with your preference then. :) Alright, so first and probably most obvious with this being the Paw-Post and all is a bit of talk about Paws. You draw some very nice ones, so first question is do you have a personal thing for paws/feet? If so, can you explain in detail what sort of like you have?

(Lady Rain) I /love/ paws. I love the little squishy beans and how they can be like hand paws, but better cause they are feeties and cute toofts of fur that stick out between them! Personally, paws are just my button. My go to thing I guess when it comes to art, you give me artistic liberty, Ima draw a paw shot piece most of the time. Paws are the little things in life that make me smile most. Having a bad day? Send some peets for that insta-smile! In the mood for rubbing one out? Pretty much a good piece of art with some paw pads showing and they aren't cut off, and that's my jam~

(TC) *blinks* Yeeeaaah... we're gonna get along -just- fine for this interview. What an awesome answer! So do you have a particular favourite sort of paw, or maybe aspect -of- paws that you really like best?

(Lady Rain) I hope that last answer was not TOO lewd :3c Ahhh, my favorite sort of aspect of paws would have to be that sweet innocent look to a piece of art, that has the focus of the paws in the image covering up the "goods" so to speak, leaving room for the imagination to work its magic. Or just a good of fashioned paw piece that has good sense of direction and overall color balance, is always really nice. Perhaps is one splayed while the other is relaxed? Are the claws

extended for a feline character or retracted into the soft toes? Stuff like that gets me wagging. The biggest thing is the paws can't be half cut off from the piece. That makes me so sad...

(TC) First off, no worries about lewdness - this is an adult publication, so people expect just about anything here. Second, oh my - very much agreed on those likes! I really enjoy dual poses as well, plus yes... a paw that's cut off in an image is SO frustrating! Did you always know you liked paws or was this more of a recent realization?

(Lady Rain) Ive always very much been into paws ever since I started doing commissions.

(TC) So commissions started your appreciation for footpaws? Did that sort of click when you started drawing them?

(Lady Rain) I guess that's when I kinda noticed I really liked drawing them. I would get a lot of artistic liberty pics and paws as the focal point tend to be the thing I gravitated towards.

(TC) So when you started gravitating towards them, was it sort of an aesthetic thing at first? And did that involve into a more kinky/sexual appreciation of them too, or just stay aesthetic to this current time?

(Lady Rain) Both. I'm sexually attracted to foot/paw play with my partner and aesthetically they are quite appealing as well too. Role play is a healthy part of any mature couple's sexual life, and paws do come into play quite often (;

(TC) What about real life - does your appreciation for feet carry over at all into humans? If so, do explain.

(Lady Rain) Yuhmmm yes :> But I really prefer like feety paws on feet if it can be had.

(TC) Feety paws on feet? You mean in real life somehow, or in art? Can you explain?

(Lady Rain) Oh yes like paw socks, or hand made paw parts. Specific ones designated for that kind of play of course!

(TC) Whoa... now that is innovative, and I think the first time we ever got that sorta answer! Alright, so outside of paws, is it true that you work as a Firefighter? Where at?

(Lady Rain) I'm a Volunteer Firefighter in the state of Virginia here yup! I have been serving my community since 2013 but rode with my first call back in 2009.

(TC) I had a couple uncles who were firefighters - one being the chief, so spent a lot of time around the fire station as a kid. How often do you get called out (which, for everyone reading, ACTUALLY HAPPENED during the interview!)?

(Lady Rain) Well we are a pretty rural department, so we get called for a lot of MVAs (motor vehicle accidents). We get about 350 calls annually and they can vary week by week. Sometimes we can be pretty regular, a call a day. Other times we can be quiet for weeks and then boom, we get 3 in a day for 3 days straight.

(TC) Jeeze, that almost must require keeping very darn physically fit. What sort of diet and exercise routine do you have to maintain for it?

(Lady Rain) Since we are volunteer, and thus unpaid, our department's guidelines are pretty lax in that area! However, I have been swimming ever since last year to rebuild my lower back. Since then, I've lost 35 lbs this year and continue to swim along with now biking and daily walks. Alternating each as I can find time to even do them! It certainly has helped, as when we pack up our turn out gear, plus SCBA can add anywhere from 65-80+ extra pounds.

(TC) Wow! That is so cool - you are likely tougher than 90% of us. XD Okay, back to art, heh - you have a massive gallery, and it's certainly a really varied one too. Is your art your primary career (outside of the volunteer firefighting), or an on-the-side thing?

(Lady Rain) Yes, art is my primary career as firefighting is just a thing I do to give back to the community. I have such a diverse and large gallery as I rely on working every day from 9am-5:30 pm EST M-F.

(TC) What is your favourite sort of thing to work on for personal art (paw or non-paw)?

(Lady Rain) Would have to be taurs! And ferals as well too. I really enjoy beach scenes in particular. I love the sun, sand and water. OH! Or winter. Im such a bipolar lady dog when it comes to climate <3 I also adore rendering in traditional media, it's such a lost medium in the community these days as digital overtakes the market most of the time.

(TC) Agreed - you don't see much traditional anymore. And what about commissions - any favourite type or theme to get?

(Lady Rain) Again, taurs :> Adult themed wise I do really enjoy feral on anthro pics (or vice versa). For clean art I can't get enough of taurs and their paw madness! I also really enjoy just the simplicity an easy flat color piece can provide. Size difference and paws really has to get me hot under the collar too ^^ Am I allowed to say that I am always open too? I have an open rotation commission basis! My form directory (as well as my current queue) can always be found here: http://www.Fox.ci/RainCom

(TC) Do you have an art pet-peeve? You know like the one thing you get asked to draw or have trouble with that just really drives you crazy?

(Lady Rain) MMM that's a hard one. I would have to say when a client wants a certain pose, yet want the paws to be shown, and it requires the legs to be 'broken' to make them shown. D: I try very hard to be polite when it comes to informing them that "well to draw it at this angle, and to

have that item in view, the angle would need to be different or we would need to have the item not visible" Usually people get it when I explain XD

(TC) Haha... oh dear - I have SEEN pictures like that which some artists do. Yeah, some people are not aware of the rigidity of bones. XD Before I close out, did you have any questions for me or the staff on the Paw-Post?

(Lady Rain) I guess I'd love to know what would be an ideal "pawfect" pic with your character that you have or haven't gotten drawn yet? (:

(TC) Pawfect... heh, great term! Hmmm... that's actually a really tricky question and something I've not actually thought about. There are a number of things I really love about paw-pictures, so... if it was getting one of myself that'd be the most Pawfect, I'd want it to be something that really was all about loving/enjoying the footpaws. What comes to mind there is something I think you don't see enough of, which is the character enjoying his/her own footpaws - and I would love that since TC's got amazing feet. XD Now that's not to say I wouldn't think as much or even more of TC sharing his feet with a friend - just that most moderate to full adult pictures of TC will always be private, so folks would never see that sort of picture if I commissioned it.:)

Alright last thing - open floor for ya; if you'd like to say anything to the readers and your fans on the Paw-Post, please do!

(Lady Rain) Paw paw wiggle paw! If you don't know the reference, youtube it! It's a fun snappy song! Thank you so much for the opportunity, and I hope you and your readers have enjoyed my antics as well as my art!

Thank you very much Ms. Rain! A very fun interview (and hopefully not a terrible fire in the middle of it. <_<). Lady Rain's gallery is HUGE, so you'll be able to really enjoy taking a look through it for just about everything, including of course a lot of great paw-pics. A big thank you to Skye as well for helping to set this interview up! Alright everyone - have a good weekend!

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