

JUL/14/2017 - Artist Highlight: Benj24!

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Colour Guide (for who's talking):

TC, Sera, VampireKitty, Rylae, TideKeeper, Mr-Pink, KampferWolf, CAThulu

Hi All! Been thinking up some changes for formatting - perhaps less rainbow-y colouring of text and just tagging commentary with a single colour blip between parenthesis or something like that. Also will probably expand the Legend but also turn it into its own Google Doc to link to rather clutter up so much of each Paw-Post with the thing.

Got a really fun highlight for you today! A very awesome paw-artist and a fun one to talk to for sure. Also got a lot of links multiple animations to drool over.

Also, starting this week, you may have noticed on FA that I posted some "HEADS UP" journals about sweet YCH deals. I'm going to try and get more into the habit of doing that for YCHs and commission stuff that might come/go before the weekly Paw-Post, that way you folks don't miss out if you weren't aware. :)

Woo, working my way into becoming a charr artist. Starting my second piece now! *draws*

YES! I've seen the WIP and Sera's next piece is really cool too. And... *pokes* She needs to upload the colour version of the one she did last week.

Finished cashier training this week, yay. XD. VK how did you do? I'd say good. Only had one casualty, one wine bottle out of the over 10-15 I handled that day. Back to my nice calm electronics department where things don't shatter when dropped. Hope you all are having good weeks.

Sorry for my absence guys, a lot has been going on. Struggling more with depression, and a recent loss of a dog. To make matters worse, the shifts are harder and harder to get a hold of, and unfortunately in two weeks I will not have a single one to my name, meaning no money. I'm already having issues with money as it is, and am getting behind on my bills. I'm going to place an ad to help generate some <u>commissions</u> if you are interested.

Fur-In-Need F

KampferWolf: See his comment above, and do hit him up for commissions if you can. He does awesome work and loves paws himself, so always gives them the attention they deserve in any piece he does.

TC's Random Music Pick

Alessi Brothers - "Saving the Day" - 1984

The hero song of the original Ghostbusters movie! This played in one of awesome feel-good scenes of the movie when the authorities finally side with the Ghostbusters, and they rush in with police escort and the natural guard at their backs. And I love the sound of the Ecto-1's siren - best siren ever. And I'm talking original movie here - not the crappy reboot. :P

Sera's Random Music Pick

Gran Turismo 6 - "From The East To The West" - 2013

I have been meaning to put this one up two weeks ago but art and buying a new house has been getting in the way of my doing much in the paw-post, but now I finally had the chance. I have been playing the Gran Turismo series since the first one, but since i no longer really play on consoles, I never got to play 6 and probably never will since it is a Playstation exclusive. Either way, at least i can still enjoy the soundtracks, which have always had this nice melody to them. This one is one of my favorites, and it has been composed three times (GT2 4 and 6).

Mr-Pink's Random Music Pick (and Movie Review)

John Spencer Blues Explosion - "Bellbottoms" - 1994

I went to see Baby Driver this weekend a movie I've been waiting for. I was not disappointed, Any of you that watch me or follow the art I commission heists and crime are kinda my jam so obviously I loved it and this song was my fav of the whole soundtrack. The start of the song is great for the build up to the heist for the walk into the bank, jewelry store or whatever the mark is and then there is the middle that has a slow build up until the end portion where the tempo picks up and then there is the getaway which Baby Driver was amazing at they used the soundtrack PERFECTLY! Every action was linked up to the song and it really did get you tuned into the action. Sadly Jamie Foxx let the movie down a bit his performance was not what I expect from him it was way too over the top. I give it 8/10 If there was one more heist it would have gotten a 9. I LOVE ALL OF EDGAR WRIGHT'S MOVIES!

CAThulu's Random Music Pick

AK - "Standing Together" - 2017

This song is like my childhood in Ontario on hot summer days. Sweet and dreamy.

Open for Sales/Commissions

NOTE: Just because an artist is not marked with "paw-friendly" doesn't mean they don't draw paws - just that I'm not sure if it's a theme they do a lot. I try to use that indicator when the artist is known to draw paws a lot, or has confirmed they don't mind the subject.

BurBarBeers (aka Sammy):

- (General commissions, paw-loving/friendly artist!)
 - http://www.furaffinity.net/view/22001033/

Harlem:

- (Commissions, all types open)
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/journal/8321938/

KampferWolf:

- (General commissions, paw-loving/friendly artist!)
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/commissions/kampferwolf/ (Use text for pricing)

Rhodenspire:

- (General commissions, paw-loving/friendly artist!)
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/journal/8314554/

Rokemi:

- (General Commissions, paw-friendly artist)
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/journal/8313813/

Skye:

- (general commissions, paw-loving/friendly artist!)
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/commissions/skye/
- (YCH with paws out, ends July 21st, \$2 bid increments)
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/view/24132201/
- (YCH with scrunched soles, ends July 20th, \$2 bid increments)
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/view/24127156/

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 red to stand out for those who don't like human pics!

Footpaw Classification System:

C1 to C5

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

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

Most Pawesome Picture Animation

by Diablo the Rex

(C3: sfw-ish -- m/m -- digimon, raptor-demon -- foot-worship)

https://www.furaffinity.net/view/24141427/

So... first, you're probably going to be like this: O_O when you see it. I mean.... WOW. That is some gloriously smooth and detailed animation. Now... this is an interesting one for me. Normally I try to keep the Paw-Post on the positive side, IE, the people doing paw-worship are into it, and avoiding stuff like gore, death... you know, all that kinda bad stuff that doesn't have a positive vibe. Now... knowing this is Ahastar having to do the licking, I'm sure he's being made to do it, but... whether Ahas would ever admit it or not, he does kinda like footpaws. Besides... the animation quality and detail is just way too hard to pass up here. And this is only a WIP sample! Now there is one other major deal here - those feet belong to Blackwargreymon... and he is the one digimon over ALL who really, really gets me all worked up. I mean... look at those soles!

Sits here and wonders what the hell TC is getting excited about then gives up and just enjoys the detail and effort put into the arts

blinks Look at the sole! Argh... so nice.

Tis not visibly C4 and does not posses the grabby toes of doom. Kittyrat is unaffected. *takes notes anyway*

blinks more So... only dragon-dog toes manage to overcome the C4 barrier, huh?

Foot & Paw Images from this Week

3DiNoZ:

- (C4: nsfw -- m/m -- dinosaur -- foot-presentation, animation)
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/view/24118146/
 - Be sure to check the second "alternate" view in the bottom right for the really nice sole view.
- (C4: nsfw -- m -- canine -- foot-presentation)
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/view/24128512/
- (C4: nsfw -- m -- canine -- foot-presentation/tease) Very Pawesome
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/view/24132493/

ArcticLion:

- (C3: sfw-ish -- m/m -- feline; leopard, lion -- foot-tease) Very Pawesome
 - http://www.furaffinity.net/view/24111592/
- (C3: nsfw -- m/m -- canine; fox)
 - http://www.furaffinity.net/view/24111295/

AzuraTheFox:

- (C3: sfw -- m/f -- raccoon, dragon-dog -- micro) Very Pawesome
 - http://www.furaffinity.net/view/24096613/
 - It's TC!!! ^ ^
 - It's cute.... Why is this?! *shaves off soul patch* There we go. Fixed it.

■ Yar - it's MEEEE! And a little hybrid raccoon enjoying some soft, warm dragon-dog feets. :3 *realizes soul patch is shaved again* Wh... arhhff..... CORVUS!

BartucTheBloody:

- (C4: sfw -- m -- canine; mexican wolf -- foot-presentation) Very Pawesome
 - http://www.furaffinity.net/view/24098498/
- (C3: sfw --m/m -- canine; fox -- macro)
 - http://www.furaffinity.net/view/24095947/

Carifoxlepoard:

- (C4: sfw --m/m-- dog, vulpine)
 - http://www.furaffinity.net/view/24101230/
- (C4: sfw-ish -- m/m -- canine)
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/view/24152095/

Caroo:

- (C1: sfw-ish -- m/f -- kangaroo, dragon -- light-BDSM, tickling)
 - http://www.furaffinity.net/view/24099972/

cbh:

- (C4: nsfw -- f/m/f -- charr!)
 - http://www.furaffinity.net/view/24087282/

Danyelx:

- (C4: sfw -- m -- dinosaur; t-rex -- macro, foot-presentation)
 - https://www.furaffinitv.net/view/24120754/

Deamondante:

- (C1: nsfw -- m -- canine; wolf, demons -- BDSM)
 - http://www.furaffinity.net/view/24108337/
- (C1: nsfw -- f -- feline -- light BDSM, tickling)
 - https://www.furaffinitv.net/view/24130362/

DrJavi:

- (C2: sfw -- m/f -- otter, canine; wolf -- paw-worship) Very Pawesome
 - http://www.furaffinity.net/view/24104478/

Echin:

- (C3: sfw-ish -- m/m -- feline; tiger, canine; dog)
 - http://www.furaffinity.net/view/24092751/

Einom:

- (C3: nsfw -- m/f -- canine; fox -- macro)
 - http://www.furaffinity.net/view/24088006/

EZDBud:

- (C3: sfw-ish -- m -- insect; beetle -- BDSM, foot-presentation)
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/view/24130352/

Footografo:

- (C1: sfw -- f -- human -- rl-photo, foot-presentation/tease)
 - https://footografo.deviantart.com/art/A-Thing-Of-Beauty-691290835
 - TOTALLY better than a handshake. Yup.

Footpaws:

- (C3: sfw-ish -- m/m -- Kangaroo -- tickling, Crash Bandicoot)
 - https://www.deviantart.com/art/Crazy-VS-N-Sane-691231742
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/view/24083402/

Foxypaws:

- (C4: sfw-ish -- m/m/m -- avian; eagle, foxy-hybrid...ish, dragon -- tickling, light-BDSM)
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/view/24122042/
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/view/24122072/ close up of one foot
 - o https://www.furaffinity.net/view/24122104/ close up of other foot :D

GahoWolf:

- (C1: nsfw -- f -- canine -- foot-presentation/tease)
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/view/24139630/

Gothwolf:

- (C4: nsfw -- m -- lion)
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/view/24153307/
- (C3: sfw -- m -- canine)
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/view/24142516/

Gravewalker:

- (C4: sfw -- f -- hybrid: dragon/cat)
 - http://www.furaffinity.net/view/24111104/

Hahul:

- (C4: sfw -- m -- canine; wolf -- foot-presentation)
 - http://www.furaffinity.net/view/24107012/
- (C4: sfw -- m -- canine; fox -- foot-presentation)
 - http://www.furaffinity.net/view/24107670/
- (C4: sfw -- f -- feline; cat -- foot-presentation)
 - https://www.furaffinitv.net/view/24118941/

Harlem:

- (C4: nsfw --m/m -- canine; fox, wolf)
 - http://www.furaffinity.net/view/24089586/

Higsby:

- (C4: nsfw -- m -- canine -- foot-presentation) Very Pawesome
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/view/24119265/

Ifus:

- (C4, C5: nsfw -- m/f -- canine; werewolf, ram)
 - http://www.furaffinity.net/view/24114254/

JammerHighwind:

- (C3: sfw -- m x5 -- dragon)
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/view/24128069/
- (C3: sfw -- m & f -- dragon -- reference) Very Pawesome
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/view/24128150/
 - May just be a reference, but oh wow... so love that shot of the footpaws!
 Gorgeous sole detailing with all those lovely flex lines.

Jazzumi:

- (C3: sfw -- m -- feline; cheetah -- macro) Very Pawesome
 - http://www.furaffinity.net/view/24084100/

KernalDecoy:

- (C3: sfw -- f/f/f -- canine, feline, avian -- macro, foot-worship) Very Pawesome
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/view/24121862/

Kero Tzuki:

- (C4: sfw -- m -- canine; grey wolf -- macro)
 - http://www.furaffinity.net/view/24079970/
- (C4: sfw -- m/m -- canine; grey wolf, mexican wolf -- foot-presentation)
 - http://www.furaffinity.net/view/24099480/

KronexFire:

- (C3: nsfw -- m/m -- panda)
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/view/24131918/

Nommz:

- (C4: nsfw-ish -- m -- digimon; lucario -- macro)
 - https://www.weasyl.com/~nommz/submissions/1518137/just-loungin
 - https://beta.furrynetwork.com/artwork/1411299/just-loungin/
- (C3: nsfw-ish -- m -- canine -- macro)
 - https://www.weasyl.com/~nommz/submissions/1518489/showoff
 - o https://beta.furrynetwork.com/artwork/1411301/showoff/

Raichupuppy:

- (C3: nsfw -- m/m -- kitsune, unknown species) Very Pawesome
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/view/24150612/

RedFeathers:

- (C1: sfw -- f -- pony -- macro) Very Pawesome
 - http://www.furaffinity.net/view/24099069/

RobinTheFox:

- (C2: sfw -- m -- snake -- foot-presentation) Very Pawesome
 - http://www.furaffinity.net/view/24086942/
- (C3: sfw --m -- gargoyle -- foot-presentation)
 - http://www.furaffinity.net/view/24108337/

Rooc:

- (C4: sfw -- m/m -- charr! -- macro -- light-BDSM) Very Pawesome
 - http://www.furaffinitv.net/view/24142153/

 - TINY LOKI 8D *grabs and runs away with him*
- (C3: sfw -- f/? -- bat, unknown)
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/view/24142920/

Rysonanthrodog:

- (C3: nsfw -- f -- dragon)
 - http://www.furaffinity.net/view/24115340/

Seanblackthorne:

- (C3: nsfw-ish -- f -- canine)
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/view/24128544/

Shiuk:

- (C3: nsfw -- m -- jackalope -- foot-presentation/tease) Very Pawesome
 - https://www.weasyl.com/~shiuk/submissions/1517838/buntime
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/view/24134279/
 - https://beta.furrynetwork.com/artwork/1427008/buntime/
 - Eeehheehee... look at those super-poofy soles! You could just happily lose your face in those. :3
- (C3: nsfw -- m/m -- cheetah, red panda rabbit hybrid)
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/view/24145453/
 - https://beta.furrynetwork.com/artwork/1427344/bigcat/
 - https://www.weasyl.com/~shiuk/submissions/1518253/big-cat

Silvixen:

- (C4: nsfw -- fh -- thylacine)
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/view/24143779/

Skye:

- (C3: sfw -- f -- red panda)
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/view/24140305/

Sparky_the_Chu:

- (C3: sfw -- m/m -- bunny, pokemon; pikachu -- macro)
 - http://www.furaffinity.net/view/24115539/
- (C3: sfw -- m/m -- hybrid: wolf/raccoon, pokemon; pikachu -- macro)
 - http://www.furaffinity.net/view/24115970/

SpectrumShift:

- (C3/C4: sfw -- canine; maned wolf)
 - https://www.furaffinitv.net/view/24132948/

Tan:

- (C2.5: sfw-ish -- m -- dragon -- foot-worship-wanted)
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/view/24136543/

Tazara:

- (C4: sfw -- m/f -- deer, canine)
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/view/24120710/

Teaselbone:

- (C3: sfw -- m -- eastern dragon -- foot-presentation)
 - http://www.furaffinity.net/view/24092567/
- (C3: sfw -- m -- dinosaur; t-rex -- macro)
 - http://www.furaffinity.net/view/24117209/
- (C3: sfw -- m -- feline -- macro)
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/view/24125038/

TheMirth:

- (C4: sfw -- canine; mexican-wolf -- foot-presentation/tease) Very Pawesome
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/view/24103877/

WagnerMutt:

- (C4: sfw -- m/m -- hybrid: wolf/husky)
 - o http://www.furaffinity.net/view/24088898/

Xainy:

- (C3: sfw -- m/m -- canine; wolf)
 - http://www.furaffinity.net/view/24109812/

YaoiFairy:

- (C3: nsfw -- m/m -- polar bear, canine; fox -- Light/BDSM) Very Pawesome
 - http://www.furaffinity.net/view/24090662/

Yosha:

- (C3: sfw -- m -- canine; dog -- reference)
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/view/24122050/

Artist Highlight: Benj24!

aka: DarkBenj24

Main Site(s):

https://www.furaffinity.net/user/benj24 https://www.furaffinity.net/user/darkbenjay24 https://benj24.deviantart.com/

Alternative Sites:

https://twitter.com/darkbenjay24 https://benj24.tumblr.com/

https://www.facebook.com/Benjay24-1.....0165342863122/

Work Samples (picked by Benj24):

- (C2.5 & C2: sfw -- m/m -- feline -- foot-presentation)
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/view/21445692/
- (C3: sfw-ish -- m/m -- feline -- foot-worship)
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/view/24075524/
- (C3: sfw -- koopa -- SMB)
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/view/21464506/
- (C3: sfw -- m -- canine)
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/view/23595446/
- (C2 & C3: nsfw -- m/m -- crocodile, komodo-dragon -- foot-presentation)
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/view/20487123/

Work Samples (picked by TC):

- (C2: sfw-ish -- m/m/m -- feline, raccoon -- tickling, light-BDSM)
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/view/22032508/
- (C2.5 & C3: sfw -- m/m/m -- crocodile, dragon -- tickling)
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/view/20554415/
- (C2.5: sfw -- m -- dragon -- fancy suit & bare-pawed ♥)
 - https://www.furaffinity.net/view/20642706/
- (C3: sfw -- m -- bear -- foot-tease)
 - http://www.furaffinity.net/view/20315079/

Personal Summary:

Hello everyone, I'm Benjay24, you can just call me Ben. I do mostly for paws and tickling. Created my first account around 2013, and was being a lurker before until january 2015, i decided to do arts.

Comment Preferences:

Well constructive comments are always being pleasure to see, i really appreciate the comments like that. Normally i do welcome for general comments; However, i especially don't like comments that sound like requests... like "you should do...", "please do..." or something like that, and not to mention for trolling and spamming.

Commission Info:

You can either check this information:

http://benj24.deviantart.com/art/Commission-Information-2017-Updated-547416038 or my furaffinity commission info page: http://www.furaffinity.net/commissions/benj24/

Some QEA:

(TC) Hi Ben, thanks for coming to the interview for the Paw-Post! Especially after the annoyances of getting Skype to work right after Microsoft's latest updates to it. Oi. Ever done an interview before?

(Ben) Well, no XP. This is my first time actually, so in the meantime, I'm excited but also nervous for doing this.

(TC) Awww, there's no need to be nervous - this derpy old dragon-dog is pretty harmless. XD Like any artist we have join us, you draw some really awesome footpaws, but I also noticed you have a really unique style overall that really stands out. How long have you been drawing, and when did you get into doing furry stuff?

(Ben) Ohhh thanks, actually you're quite nice enough to make me feel comfortable, thanks. ^^ Oh, well thank you, that really means much to me.

Well as for digital and furry stuff, I started to do so at the beginning of 2015, so it has been like two years and some months.

But other than that, i learned tradition art for more or less 9 years. i realized that they can be pretty different.

(TC) Oh wow, so short time for the digital stuff. What inspired such a unique looking style?

(Ben) Well it's hard to explain. *thinks*

I love beautiful things, anything that looks beautiful, with stylish look, colorful tone and such. I will just start to practice, trying to make my work look abundant.

And by the time passing long, I find that I love European and American style, I particularly follow some artists with beautiful and unique style and they can be my inspiration.

(TC) Neat - you've certainly managed to create one that stands out as different using those styles as your inspiration. :)

(Ben) Thank you. ^^

(TC) So of course we gotta ask some footpaw-specific questions, hehe. You feature them a lot in your art work and do a great job of them, so most obvious first question; do you like footpaws/feet yourself when it comes to furry stuff?

(Ben) Hehehe well the answer is pretty obvious, yes.

But actually at first, I was not really into paws stuff. Well you know.. my main fetish is tickling, so I was mainly for tickling.

However, I found that, people around me loved paws and tickling, they both struck to the top mostly. so I started to explore how to draw paws and such.

Then finally, things went on like what happens now. XP

(TC) Heh - well, you'd be surprised how often an artist who draws really amazing paws isn't actually into them! <u>CariFoxleopard</u>, <u>Iggi</u>, or <u>Tag Staggard</u> come to mind for that. Kinda makes sense though that tickling would lead to a lot of paw stuff - feet being the focal point of tickling stuff just seems to come naturally. When you draw footpaws, I really love that you pay a lot of attention to how the skin or pads flex and move on them - do you use any references to achieve that?

(Ben) Yeah, :\$ and they can be one of the most sensitive places.

Well literally, I'd rather do the sketch without taking any references, since that may bring restriction sometimes.

And another reason is, I love chubby and meaty paws, so I always try to make them look fleshy.

(TC) Oh wow, so no reference used. Heh - agreed - big meaty paws are the nicest for showing stuff like that. We use a classification system to rate paw-types in the Paw-Post - do you have a particular favourite type that you like to draw more than others? Or even favourite species?

(Ben) Well for me, I prefer the type from C2 to C3. Like, not too human looking feet but plantigrade paws still.

And chubby toes are quite cute to me.

(TC) *grins* Mmm, yes - those are my favourite two as well - and for pretty much the same reasons. Do you have a particular species you like to draw more than others with those kind of feet? Or even just in general?

(Ben) Ahhh, well pretty much in general. >w< But I do like to draw reptilians footpaws like that more often.

(TC) One of the things I really love about how you draw footpaws is that you make them so wonderfully expressive! Even without seeing the face of the character, you can often get a sense of what's going on from the foot itself. Is that something you feel is important to do in art giving a lot of expression or body language to what's going on? Or is it just that you like making feet that way? :P

(Ben) Thank you. :\$ I think it mostly goes with the body language. For example, when I draw a victim from a tickling scene... -sigh hope people accept how often i mention tickling- XP

There're some several ways to make the victim looks ticklish, like, curled toes, stretched sole, curled sole and such, and I do that randomly, depending on what comes to my mind or what fits the structure more perfect.

(TC) I think it works out perfectly - they're always very fun and expressive pictures. Even non-tickling ones where someone's just enjoying the foot-paw like your picture that won the Most Pawesome last week - the paw was still very expressive. Oh, heh, and don't worry - tickling comes up a lot here with artists and the pictures being posted. One of the most

frequently linked artists as well as a former highlight, <u>ZP92</u>, is majorly into that. Hm... actually speaking of that, when it comes to your art, do you have artists that inspire you for ideas?

(Ben) Ahh okay i'm relieved now. XP Oh yes, **Zp92** is certainly one of them.

Ohh you mean the ideas for tickling?: O or the ideas of making new arts in general?

(TC) Um.... either really - both are good forms of inspiration.

(Ben) Ahhh, I see :O Well for the artist of making wonderful arts, I think <u>viktria/ zummeng</u> is one of them that making wonderful art.

As for tickling, there're too many artists that inspired me so much.

But the one that made me decide to start creating arts was <u>alphonselavallee</u>.

He is a kind guy. I sent him a message once, saying that i admired his works so much, and one day after that, i received a drawing from him with my new oc getting tickled by the paws. XD That was pretty touching honestly.

Therefore, I made a drawback him for him, and that one became my first digital tickling pic on furaffinity. XD

(TC) Awww... that is really cool! What a nice way to get welcomed into drawing and doing a particular thing. :) So now that you're doing all this art, what would you say is your favourite sort of picture or commission to do?

(Ben) Oh well, it's a nice question. *thinks* Well certainly I enjoy doing tickling sort of pictures the most. But sometimes I'd love to try something new and something in general. Like, some pictures that look pretty relaxing such as some characters being surrounded by ocean, trees, mountains and such, anything that looks relaxing.

For example, the favorite comic I did so far was "a selfie story" http://www.furaffinitv.net/view/22923621/

I love the way that some characters are enjoying a cup of nice coffee in cafe, chatting pleasantly with each other and something like that. And not to mention, I'd do some paws in the comic. XD

(TC) Ooooh, YES - I loved that! Everyone was so expressive, and way the frames were done and shown really told the story beautifully. The Vine Queen's cute feet actually are only a subtle secondary theme to the overall story and great scenes. Heh, okay so opposite sorta question then - is there a type of commission or picture you really dislike doing?

(Ben) Mhh, well, thanks to some points, mostly like, I'd love to try something new. So fortunately I'm cool with the works I did in general. However, in the early times I stayed on furaffinity, I was like a coward for saying no, or rejecting.

The point is, I received some requests for free art gifts or art trades from people, and I did some images without feeling pleasure to do with. Not to mention, some artists keep me waiting for more than a year with their parts. XD

But those are past tense, I feel happy that they made me practice something more.

(TC) I don't think it's really a negative thing to have stuff you didn't want to do or like doing - many artists do set limits. It's nice though that you see it in such a good reflective way with a positive outlook on how you do things now. So to turn things around a bit - do you have any questions for me or the staff of the Paw-Post?

(Ben) Oh well actually I'd like to thank you for doing the paw-post, you're so dedicating for doing this for paw lovers, that people will get to know more artists, and more about the paws. Has it been any trouble or difficulty during the process of making paw-post?

(TC) Thanks! Well, admittedly it's not "easy" - a lot of production work goes into each post. With interviews along with editing, proofing, looking for content and so on, each Paw-Post represents about 8 to 10 hours of work from myself and whichever editors could help that week. A big shout-out to CAThulu there, who since joining has done the bulk of the tagging/formatting work each week. Another frequent problem we have is trying to secure these interviews. Very often, we make the request, but don't get a response. Sometimes we get a response and a person accepting the interview, but then hear nothing more. Trying to make sure I have a highlight interview for each week is probably the single most stressful and "unsure" thing about the Paw-Post.

You're very welcome TC! - CAT =^._.^= ∫

(Ben) Ahhh yeah I can imagine that. x.x That makes me wonder, what is the motivation for starting the paw-post and keeping doing it?

(TC) Well, it started as a private favour for a dear friend, and then some more friends asked if they could get it, and then I asked if I should make it public and they encouraged me to do so. Since then it's now something read and enjoyed by an awful lot of people, so as long as someone enjoys it and maybe discovers a cool artist they didn't know about before, or finds out neat things about an artist or character they've always loved, then it's worth it to me. Though... at some point in the future, I may change the release day just so I can have Friday night's back, which I've not had since 2014. XD

(Ben) just oh my goodness !!! x.x You're so hardworking and dedicated. Thank you all for doing paw-posts. Every wonderful work costs the time.

(TC) Heh, well thank YOU for doing such awesome footpaw art so there is stuff to have a Paw-Post for!

(Ben) aww thanks ! >< I actually am glad that I can provide some images for this world and fandom. XD

Well actually I know you're mainly into footpaws, but as the time passing by for seeing more and more tickling related images, do you find yourself into tickling, probably a bit ? XP

(TC) *laughs* Well, there's another thing I've not quite been asked. I'm not directly into tickling, but I do admit after being exposed to it so much, I think it'd be really fun and maybe a bit of a turn on so long as the other person was into it. I wouldn't ever want to do something that was against someone's will.

(Ben) Ahh, okay. >XD i do hope you find it more attractive in the future. :P

(TC) Well, not saying I don't! Just I suppose it's a bit of a one-sided thing where I enjoy it largely for the fact that the other person is enjoying it. Well.... that and how it makes a person's sole and toes move around is really sexy too. *chuckles* Okay, last thing - is there anything you would like to say to the folks reading the Paw-Post and your fans?

(Ben) Ahh, yeah, I understand that. :O that's a part of the reasons I find footpaws adorable and sexy. XD

Oh well, sure I do want to thank all my fans, thanks for supporting. I seldom do appreciation nowadays, but I hope you all know how deeply grateful I am for your support. Thanks again for the paw-post for doing this, I hope the tasks won't be that hard for you all those compose the paw-post.

Just, I hope you find it worthwhile for watching and following me. Honestly, I am planning to do a project for a comic, which will reveal the origin stories of my characters. Don't miss it! >w<

(TC) Oh! I look forward to that - you have some neat looking yet mysterious characters! Thanks for joining us and for taking the time for the interview!

Alright folks! That brings us to the end of another Paw-Post, and already mid-way through July! Go check out Ben's galleries and remember - there are more than one! On FA, he has Benj24 as well as DarkBenJ24, and there are some different stuff in each. :) And yes... you will definitely want to watch both! Have a good weekend everyone!

TC

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