

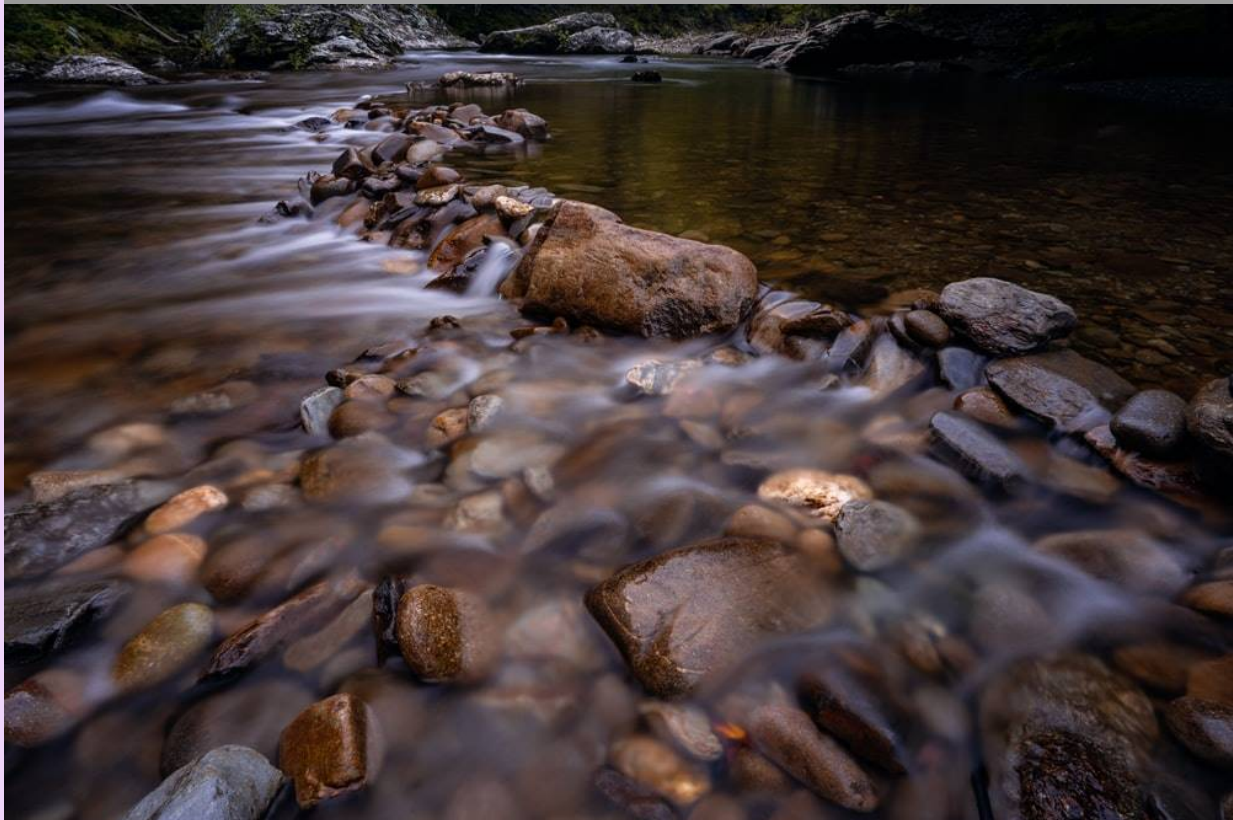
EMERALD VIOLET

. BRAVO BROWN !! .

. INSPIRATION! .

'In the confrontation between the stream and the rock, the stream always wins - not through strength, but through persistence.'

Buddha



I feel as if I can hear the water rushing over these stones as the winter snow melts and makes its way into this vibrant stream. Spring is just ahead... oh the anticipation!

. ART .



"Nikki & Boo" - This illustration represents a more Contemporary approach to the creation of this portrait. Using the deep neutral brown background provides a unique and sophisticated character to these two beautiful creatures. I love their eyes and the connection between them. Their bodies, although very simple in their interpretation, were challenging to capture perfectly. The distant forest adds perspective and a nice balance to the overall portrait. I could look into their eyes all day!

[LINK to Custom PET Illustrations](#)

. INTERIOR DESIGN .

Count on BROWN for a grounded
& sophisticated space !!



Dark & Secure BROWN !
This Living Area works really well because:

- This beautiful brown wall grounds this space with incredible luxury, refinement and a warm & embracing quality.
- The light floors, walls and adjoining areas help to provide balance & contrast to the overall scheme.
- Note how both silver & gold are used as accents.
- Blue splashes of color in the wingback chair and Contemporary painting add a jolt of cool chic.

. PAPER FLOWERS .



This paper rose is created from a simple paper bag. Notice the edges... they are slightly burnt, providing an aged quality to this most delicate of flowers. If you are timid about the process, don't forget - you are always able to use brown & black pastels to simulate this edge.

[Link to another Fun Paper Bag Flower](#)

. PAINTED FURNITURE .
A Natural Beauty !



I love the transformation of this Mid-Century Modern furniture to a dramatic element that features natural woodland forms in color and pattern. Painting the entire body black and applying wallpaper in black & brown creates a unique & stunning showpiece grounded in nature.

[LINK to Painted Furniture](#)

With my every best wish...

**Authenticity is the
daily practice of
letting go of who we
think we're supposed
to be and embracing
who we are.**

Brené Brown

I appreciate this quote from Brené Brown... it reminds me of the importance of being authentic. Each day I pray that I will live an authentic life, one that I can claim as my own. This can be a challenge today with influences circling all around us. Yet, if we focus on being genuine and not live a life that is defined by someone else... ultimately, that is exactly what will bring us true happiness & peace.

Our feature color this week is Brown, a color that signifies authenticity, honesty, comfort and security. It is not flirtatious or brash... but centered on all that is genuine, true & timeless. It is the color of inner security & harmony.

Please stay safe & healthy & creative!
...with my every best wish, Barbara

[Link to Brene Brown
Website](#)

Here is a LINK to all our past COLOR Messages to YOU!

Archive of COLOR Messages

EMERALD & VIOLET STUDIO

We are all about Art, Color & Design!!!

I am working on creating classes that I will be able to share with you online, via Zoom or another method. I'll be in touch as soon as I have it all developed.

Until then take good care, be well & stay healthy!

A LINK to our Website:

Hours:

Currently closed...

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