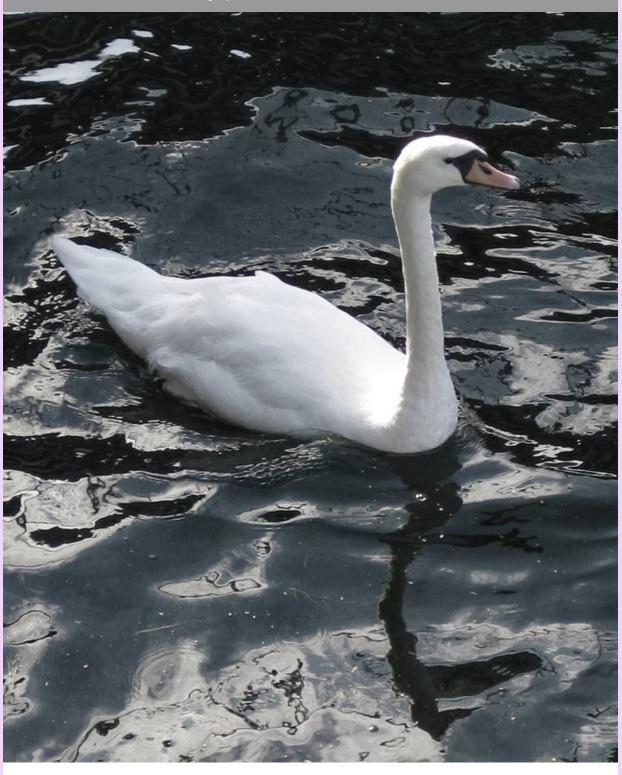


. INSPIRATION! . My picture of the week...



## **Neutral Territory!**

This photograph of a white swan was taken on a lake in Geneva, Switzerland. I am mesmerized by all the shades of black, white and cool gray that are captured perfectly in the water surrounding the swan.

Speaking of neutral... I love that this part of the world is neutral and strives to be involved with peace-building processes around the world.

LEARN about Swiss Neutrality

. ART . Cleveland T-Shirts!



There is always news happening in Cleveland about our sports teams. Even when they are not playing, there is some activity that captures our attention.

My attention always is directed towards Art! I have created these fun T-Shirts that feature all FOUR Teams, the Browns, Indians, Cavs & Monsters. Our famous 'Cle' and '216' are featured in the center. I have a very limited number of 'T-Shirts' in sizes S,M,L,XL & XXL.

If you'd like your own, please email me sizes and quantity, they are only \$20 which includes Shipping!

I love that they are neutral and you can wear them no matter which team is your favorite!!

## . HOME DESIGN . Black & White = Classic Design!



Stunning BLACK!!

I love color... you know that; yet, there is something so soothing about a space that is totally neutral. Remember, you always have the ability to add & change accents!

This room works really well because of the balance of Black & White.

- Notice how the cabinets on the left & right are framed in white so the space incorporates adequate amounts of light & dark.
- The 'waterfall' treatment of the white countertops create an island that looks like a work of art.
- Three light wood chairs at the counter bring a touch of warmth to this kitchen in a Modern statement.

. PAPER FLOWERS . A Print Garden!



Remember that creativity may be found all around us. In this picture we see Paper Flowers created with pages from a book. The edges are treated with a Black Permanent Pen for a graphic appearance. Experiment and have fun... YOU deserve it!

LINK to Paper Flower Instructions

. PAINTED FURNITURE .
Be Daring!



I am always looking for something incredibly different to do with projects. Imagine how fun this stunning buffet would look in your home!

This technique may be used on any piece of furniture that has doors or drawers that are mostly flat.

Experiment with your painting technique and remember that you can paint over your design until you achieve the exact look you desire!! Let's be brave!

LINK to Painted Furniture

With my every best wish...



This is one of my favorite photographs of our little Garry. He was our first kittie and you can see that he was all Black & White. We kissed him goodbye twelve years ago.

One of my sweet memories from our time together: I was working on a drawing... when I walked away, he jumped up onto the table and just made himself comfortable. The sun was coming through a skylight and was shining on him so perfectly... it made me forget that he was on top of my sketches. For everyone out there who has pets... why is it that they can do no wrong? We love them endlessly.

These are challenging moments for sure... yet, keep in mind that we must love each other, no matter what... it is the only way!!

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