

Carol Willett transforms recyclable materials into Creatures of Imagination that amuse, delight, and invite you to reset your limits on the art of the possible. Imagine a sexy snake as an exotic pole dancer, a Rhino dripping with Tiffany bling, and a Kangaroo promoting medicinal hemp and you get a Boa Con Stripper, a Rhinestonoceros and a GanjaRoo.

A self-taught sculptor, Carol is to whimsical art what the three-legged lady was to 19th century waltz king Johann Strauss - an innovative muse as well as a source of hilarity and insight. Though she claims to be an amateur unnaturalist, she has a well-honed knack for conveying the spirit and intent of creatures never seen in a zoo, or diorama, much less our backyard. While most art is designed to draw your eye - Creatures of Imagination look right back at you with one slightly cocked eyebrow and invite you to enjoy the visual pun each represents.

Carol is a juried artist with multiple solo shows. Her work may be found at the Dare County Arts Council in Manteo NC, the Ghost Fleet Gallery in Nags Head NC, the Gallery of Fine Art in Wilmington NC and in her home gallery in Southern Shores (open by appointment).