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JEWELRY

Happy New Year and may 2017 bring many blessings to you and your family!

Americana Indian shows would like to thank all of you for your support. Thanks to you we are entering our 49th year in business! We look forward to serving you in the new year.

The holiday season for us is always a great time to acquire inventory for the upcoming shows. Many of the artists and their friends were out selling jewelry to help with their holiday shopping. This also gives us the opportunity to visit and catch up on their family life and happenings.

Before Christmas we bought eight pairs of earrings and several bracelets from **Mark Roanhorse Crawford and Alethia Crawford**. Their pieces are crafted using the tufa stone cast method which Mark learned from multi award winning Navajo artist **Rick Charley**. This work requires expert precision and execution which Alethia and Mark have mastered. Their work is quite a feat considering that at the same time both are working on their degrees at Northern Arizona University. Alethia's studies in mechanical engineering seem to have quite an influence on their exquisite designs and craftsmanship. **Alton Bedonie** and his wife **Lillian** were also very busy creating gorgeous jewelry. They stopped by with six new men's and ladies rings, two heavy link bracelets, and an outstanding heavy lapis cuff bracelet. Alton also made a nice variety of all silver earrings and as we go to press is working on a Sleeping Beauty turquoise* necklace for us. Another masterpiece from Alton is a large pendant and wide bracelet both in sterling silver with large gorgeous Bisbee turquoise stones. **Mary Tom** and her brother **Nelson Begay** came by just before Christmas with some of their beautiful jewelry which we couldn't pass up. From Mary came another stunning flower necklace and earring set with Sleeping Beauty turquoise. Nelson made an incredible bolo tie and a beautiful naja pendant.

We currently have several collections of unique and hard to find jewelry. There are 12 pieces of **Carl and Irene Clark's** micro mosaic jewelry, a 14kt gold and turquoise bracelet by multi award winning Navajo artist **Al Nez**, a 14kt gold and coral necklace and earring set that took a blue ribbon at the 1996 Gallup Intertribal Ceremonial (also by Al Nez) and a pair of earrings and a bracelet in 14kt gold by **Ervin Hoskie**. There are several older Zuni needle point bracelets and a mint condition 1950's Blue Gem turquoise bracelet as well.

From several buying trips to the Zuni area we have a great selection of necklaces, rings and earrings as well as stone and shell inlay bird pins by **Ruddell and Nancy Laconsello and Harlan Coonsis**. **Dale Edaakie** made a very nice antelope bolo tie (the inlay work is stunning!). **Smokey Gchachu** and the **Seowtewa** family created some great new Sleeping Beauty turquoise necklace and earring sets. We have a carved amber fetish necklace by **Verna Kashana** and a three strand carved bird necklace by **Andrew Emerson Quam**. If you love opal but hate the price, we acquired more Navajo made spider opal pieces, which mimic the look of real opal without the high price or fragility of natural opal. Also be sure to check out our selection of Italian-made sterling silver chains at wholesale prices. A variety of styles and sizes is a must for any jewelry collection! All in all we have a HUGE new inventory to start 2017 off with a bang!

We carry jewelry by 400 plus different artists and some of the artists whose work will be represented at this show are: **Vernon Haskie, Bruce Hodgins, Brian Clark, Gerald Lomaventema, Gibson Nez, Lyndon Tsosie, Charles Supplee, Jack Tom, Alex Sanchez, Justin Wilson, Orville Tsinnie, Mitchell Sockyma, Jerry Whagado, Erwin Tsosie, Patty and Raylan Edaakie, Veronica Benally, Wilbert Manning, Connie Seowtewa, Fadrian Bowannie, Darrell Cadman, Derrick Gordon, Sunshine Reeves, Steven Arviso, La Rose Ganadonegro, Donovan Cadman, Delbert Gordon, Guy Hoskie, Chris Nieto, Charlene Reano, Wilbert and many more.**



A Note About Sleeping Beauty Turquoise...

You may have heard the Sleeping Beauty mine in Globe, Arizona closed. Although we had been told by reputable sources we nevertheless decided to do some extra checking to be 100% certain. Sadly, it is certain - in August 2012 the Sleeping Beauty mine ceased its turquoise mining operation to focus on copper extraction. Turquoise is a by-product of copper mining, and some of the more famous turquoise varieties such as Morenci, Bisbee and Sleeping Beauty are a result of this. As copper is the more profitable of the operations, however, some mines now only produce copper. As a result, Sleeping Beauty stones are getting harder to come by and of course prices have gone up significantly. Sleeping Beauty turquoise is prized for its bright sky-blue color and near-absence of matrix which make it particularly sought-after by artists for detailed inlay work as well as needlepoint and petit point work. Additionally, much of it is workable in its natural state and does not require stabilization. Perhaps someday the mine will resume extracting this remarkable stone but for now there are no plans for the foreseeable future to do so. We will continue to look for the best possible deals on jewelry with this stone, but expect that one day it may be as rare as Bisbee or Morenci.

KACHINAS

It's a new year and with its arrival there is dancing to celebrate the return of Kachinas to live amongst the Hopi. The Soyal ceremony was performed in late December during the winter solstice and it involved asking for the sun to return and bring back the longer, warm days. During the Soyal prayers are offered for the blessing of the earth, plants, people, animals and for general well being and harmony for mankind. The Tewa or Sun kachina, the Aholi and Eototo are the main kachinas seen during these dances. With the ceremonies come the inspiration for artists to create new and exciting kachina carvings. Our inventory includes fabulous carvings from multi-award winning artists **Raymond Chee and Laurence Dallas** as well as other talented artists.

FETISHES & CARVINGS

The Zuni world is divided into six directions; these are the four points of a compass (the cardinal directions of North, South, East and West) as well as upper and lower regions. Each direction has a separate color and animal associated with it. When a person or group is asking for help or aid, they will appeal to the animal spirits to assist them. The possession of animal fetish carvings in the appropriate colors can be maintained either in a residence or on the persons themselves to affect the desired protection. Zuni fetishes are broken down into a few categories: healing, hunting or protection and relationships.

SANDPAINTINGS

We have a large selection of medium and small sandpaintings as well as a good collection of sandpainting clocks. All of our sandpaintings are completely handmade, matted and framed by Navajo artists.

POTTERY

We have an excellent selection of handmade American Indian pottery to choose from including pieces from many of the Puebloan groups (NM) as well as a very nice variety of Navajo etched pottery. Stop in and examine works from **Deldrick Cellicion, Paula Estevan, Sandra Victorino, Diane Lewis, Mary Lucero, Robert Lansing, Mike Patricio, Helen Tafoya and Glendora Daubs** as well as pieces from the classic era of American Indian pottery.

See you at the show!
Eric & Matt