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Recently I got cold feet about this newsletter when I realized how many people it was being sent to. Here I am without even a college degree writing to so many learned folks! This letter goes out to between 500 and 1,000 People!

But I do know folk art and country antiques so I guess I can talk a little about it!

I want to tell the whole world about a really great tax representative. She is Laura Strombom of All About Numbers.

She held our hands thru this dreadful IRS audit. It is now over. And the finding after a two or three month audit, we owe nothing more! Thank you God and Laura Strombom!

And to the nice (???) person using a lady's name that wrote us "Mr. Roth Sorry to hear about your tax problem but I wouldn't worry about it if you paid your taxes everything will be OK. I do wonder how you fell that God will take care of things when you represent a person who has slandered,harassed and falsly accused others including fellow artist, men &,women -----."

I say unto you, IRS found that we owe nothing and I would appreciate it when you write some like this, please use your true name!

I keep watching ebay and I became convinced that the works of Reverend Howard Finster will never end,. More and more just keep coming—a well that never runs dry! I wrote to Finster500 about this. Here is my answer:

Dear ol_roff,

Did this answer your question? If not, let the seller

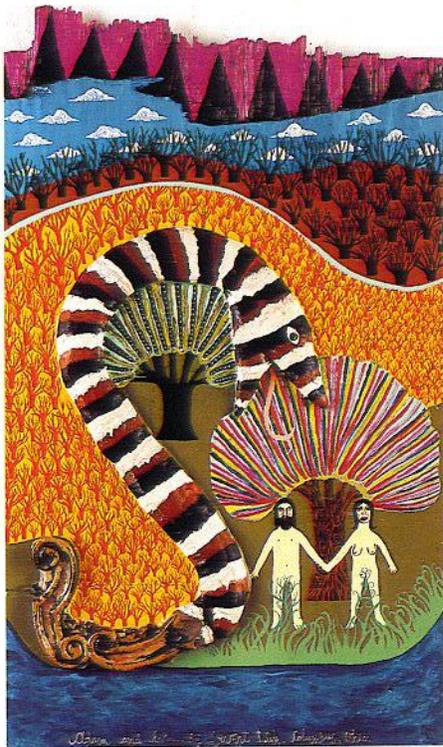
Thank-You for the inquiry. Howard had made different patterns for his space ships and used them on the wings. He was not assisted on this piece. If you look real close you can see where he sometimes ran over the black outlines with the paints of different colors. It also depended on how he was feeling the day of his paintings. Sometimes his diabetes would be too high or too low and this affected his skills. Although he may have been having a bad day, Howard Finster painted everyday that he could, even the last week that he lived. Howard did over 46,000 pieces. His very last ones were done in Oct. 2001 before he passed on Oct. 22, 2001. Beverly Finster Guinn

know.

Respond

- finster500

I will not respond further.



Lets talk about someone that I recently started to represent. I found him in “Contemporary American Folk Art – A collectors Guide” by Chuck and Jan Rosenak, published in 1996. Here is a painting that I love! Of course it is by the well known artist, Levent Isik

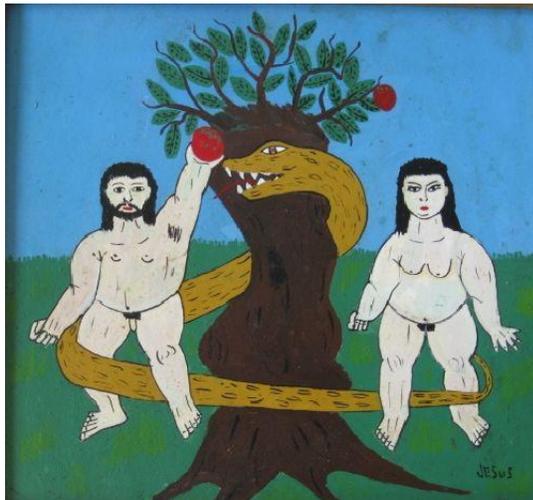
Levent, are you ever going to do another Adam and Eve?



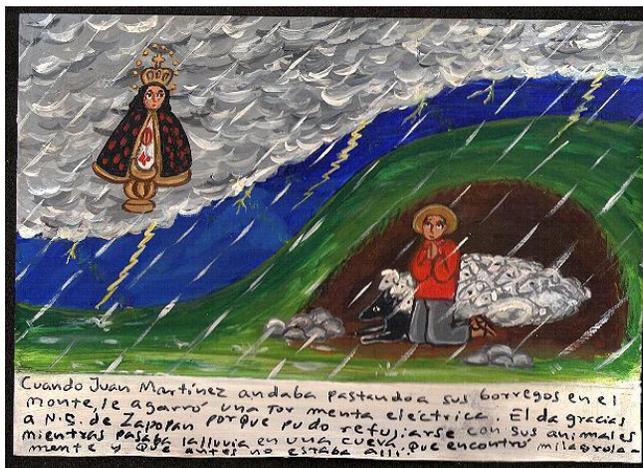
The recently discovered carver, Bruce Azevedo recently found one of my old paint brushes. He is such a master. It is not done but look at it so far: It will be fun to take another look at it next month.

Bruce donated a great carving to the Folk Art Society of America Auction. In the gallery A similar carving is \$195. Please bid on the auction!

Bruce will be a guest carver at the Lodi Chamber of Commerce Wine Stroll event on Oct 16th. Please try to join us.



A few days ago I attended, via Internet, the Janet L. Ennis Trust auction. I purchased several great pieces. You can see them on my face book. Here is “Adam and Eve” by Jesus. I have tried to find the artist on the web but can’t do so. I would appreciate any information anyone has in his regard.



I have many Mexican friends and I love the work of Selva Prieto Salazar and her sister, Maya. This week I will be devoting a permanent wall to their exvotos. I will also be adding the 4 paintings by Roman Lopez that I purchased at the trust auction. In the future I hope to bring you wonderful

Mexican art. Perhaps I can pass it on to my great-grandson, Jaden Alvarez!

I feel like I am leaving out so many great artists, Steven Chandler—Georgia Red Mud, David Padworny, Marion Crow, Shane Campbell, Juanita Leonard, Kelly Moore, and on and on. I haven't forgotten you. You are all wonderful!

Oh Gosh, Please check out the books written by Michael Largo on my website. The first person who gets back to me by email, naming the book they want, will receive that book.

I will be giving some great gifts for the coming Christmas. The gifts will include a really good painting, more books, a carving, and a face jug. This will probably be in the November or December newsletters. You will miss out on a chance at some really great prizes if you ignore the newsletters.

In closing, if you want a chance at fun reading, just look on my website www.gravescountry.com and tell me the author of "Story Tellers—Folk tales and legends from the South". First person wins-- email is graves@gravescountry.com

Last months winners were: painting –Gay Allen, California and book--Carol Dimond, Indiana.

Don't forget our troops in Harms Way! A prayer for them please!~

Til next month—May God Bless and Keep You.

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I have been working on this for hours so will give up and just send it—too tired to try and make it perfect!

