



Jansen Designs

Fine Gourd Art
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The Jansen Designs Newsletter is back!! I've been extremely busy this winter with various activities and festivals. I was VERY pleased and excited to be invited to the 28th Bacardi Festival in Catano last December, and just recently I attended a four day Artesan Fair in Plaza las Americas in San Juan. That has to be one of my favorite places to show, as it just happens to be the largest mall in Puerto Rico, complete with the only Macy's on the island. Ken gets worried each time I take a break, because I'm sure to return with arms full of packages! We did very well at both events, and are gearing up for this year's round.

Thanks to New Year's (with it's resolutions), I will be keeping you posted on future events, special offers and tips. I welcome all questions regarding my work, and if you would like to contact me send a note to andrea@jansendesigns.com. You may also write to me at Post Office Box 3039, Lajas, P.R. 00667-3039, or call (787) 309-7197.

Speaking of "Specials", this issue includes a piece I call "Holiday Basket" (shown above). Ferns and holly blend beautifully on a bright holiday red background, with gold accents thrown in for fun. Originally priced at \$125.00, it is now on sale for \$85.00. As with each of my pieces, Holiday Basket comes with a Certificate of Authenticity, numbered and signed; only one piece is available, so take advantage of this offer. To view the details, just go to www.jansendesigns.com, and look under "Gourds, Seasonal Collection".

Questions and Answers: A viewer wrote asking me how I am able to "hide" the stems of the gourds so well. My response is that I don't. In fact, I try to keep the stems visible as much as possible. I feel it adds something to the piece, and allows people to visualize exactly what it is they are looking at.



Congratulations to the following mini basket winners:

October - Paula Warrington of Daytona Beach, FL

November - Barbara Brown of Sunnymead, CA

December - Nancy Mendez of Mencino Valley, CA

January - Diana Cruz of San Lorenzo, PR

If you have not already done so, be sure to sign up for our monthly drawing of a free mini basket. Details are on the home page of our site, www.jansendesigns.com.

Andrea and Ken