



The Artists Kitchen Shop

IT'S ABOUT THE EXPERIENCE

Describing The Artist's Kitchen Shop in Tlaquepaque North is a you-have-to-go-there proposition. It's "more of an experience," says owner and seasoned retail entrepreneur Adrienne Harris, who also owns Cucina Sedona in the main Tlaquepaque complex. About the name of the charming

boutique shop? "It was partly in gratitude to the many artistic and creative folks who helped design and build the space." The light-filled, two-story spacious interior is classy, welcoming, and easy to spend serious browsing time in. "I also wanted to create a place where the art of cooking and entertaining—the artistic pursuit of serv-

ing food lovingly prepared and beautifully presented for all to share—could provide a memorable experience." In short, Adrienne with her eye for design and ability to source innovative, high quality and trending product lines, has created a space that "will bring out the artist in you."

The immediate vibe walking into The

Artists Kitchen Shop is delightfully arresting with a Euro-centric feel that just says quality. Many of the exceptional product lines are imported from that part of the world. Boldly vibrant linens, tablecloths, beautiful aprons and more remind seasoned travelers of what they might find in Provence or Tuscany. Premiere "Made in the USA" lines are prominent as well, having been carefully selected by Adrienne.

If the kitchen is the heartbeat of the home, then Adrienne's tabletop displays are the heartbeat of The Artist's Kitchen Shop. Filled with ever-changing, gorgeous table settings, from dinnerware includ-

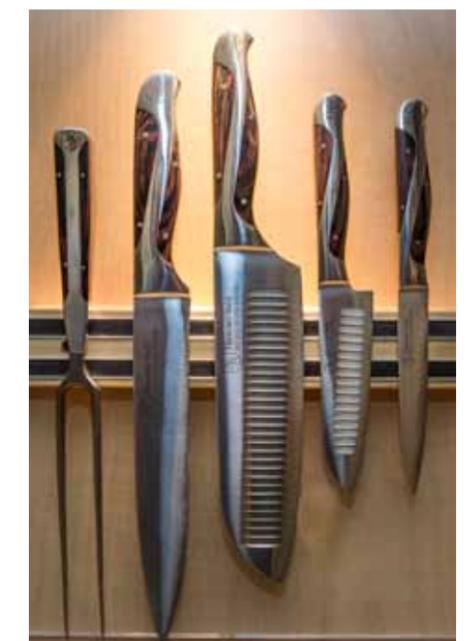
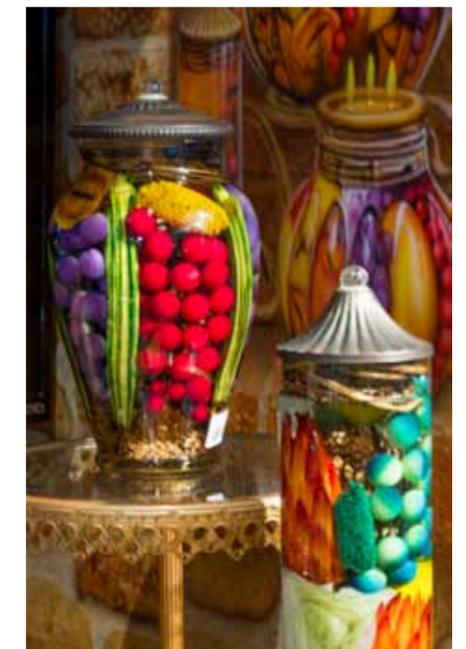
ing dinner plates, salad plates, bowls, and butter dishes; glassware from elegant to practical; wine and drinking glasses, contemporary to traditional; flatware, some customizable; to stunning cutlery and eye-catching serving pieces, all are presented in a festive explosion of colors and textures. "Everything to wow your guests and families during special times," beams Adrienne. Look for colorful holiday linens, mostly imported, placemats and table runners in various cotton blends from popular designer April Cornell and others.

And for gift giving, whether seasonal or for an upcoming fall wedding in Sedona, the lines of practical, yet exquisitely designed and high-efficiency bake ware and cookware are not to be missed. When colder days set in and outdoor grilling is not possible try steel grill pans for the stovetop. It makes for moist and delicious grilled steaks or veggies. For the chef in your life, Adrienne suggests the timeless gift of the ever-popular cookbook. There are even trending culinary books on how to set up and super organize your kitchen for an optimal gastronomic experience. Speaking of trends, silicone products are all the rage. Anti-bacterial and durable, silicone spatulas make fun stocking stuffers. They come in bright colors to add some flair to any kitchen. And check out the Charles Viancin line of airtight silicone lids, cool designs and very high tech in a variety of inspired colors, shapes and sizes. They provide an airtight seal for leftovers or while cooking, or they can be placed at the bottom of your baking dish to avoid messy clean-ups.

You can always find new and fresh seasonal and holiday themes to brighten your kitchen. The Artist's Kitchen Shop has an enthusiastic and knowledgeable staff of very creative folks in their own right who love design and are very helpful. If you are looking to replace your tired cookware be sure to get the download on the Hammer Staul line of extraordinary stainless steel pots and pans. The heat distribution properties are legendary. Their American Clad Cookware line is manufactured in Clarksville, Tennes-

see, where their "7-ply construction makes no compromises in design or materials, creating a best-in-class multi-clad product," continuing their legacy cookware pieces of heirloom quality. They are handmade and hand finished with a lifetime guarantee. The company recently refurbished a piece that was purchased 60 years ago!

Coming up on the holidays means an opportunity to re-create your dining and entertaining experience. "For holiday entertaining, we will have many pieces made in the USA to add a lot of sparkle and



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color to your table settings. And our serve ware from Sterling and Steel, for example, will, in all likelihood, become heirlooms of the future," Adrienne predicts. The quality and artistry produced by this company is typical of the highly selective product lines that end up in The Artist's Kitchen. Their hand-forged rustic steel and polished sterling creations are constructed to last centuries. Really! Described by owners/artists Harry and Nicole Hansen is the following: "rustic and brilliantly shiny, precious and recycled, dark and light, soft and hard, utilitarian and beautiful - their innate contrasts reflect life itself."

For other gift suggestions check out the wonderfully hand-painted teapots, the line of teas from Tucson, Arizona, a coffee brand called Flint from Flint, Michigan, where a percent of profits go back to help that community suffering from lack of healthy water. Check out the Fletchers Mill salt and pepper grinders designed in wood with a durable lacquer coat on the outside and a lifetime warranty. Always a great gift item. Don't miss the \$200 plus jewel-toned retro toasters. They are to-die-for, will last forever... and just ask yourself how many toasters you have gone through in the last 20 years.

For the hard-to-shop-for man or woman in your life consider the impressive lines of Italian cutlery, ranging from \$60 to \$225. These pieces are hand-crafted with

a stainless base, titanium coated and with beautiful Italian design and styling. Guaranteed to make his or her inner chef drool with anticipation! Each one is custom made and ships from Italy in six weeks. So get your order in fast in time for the holidays! Speaking of shipping, if you fall in love with a particular place setting style, for example, and want it in 48 pieces, it can be shipped, and that actually happens quite often.

Lastly, wander over to the Monet's kitchen nook, a gorgeous tribute to Monet with gadgets, tools and utensils galore, reflecting the vibrant colors of his paintings. The Wedgewood bright yellow gas stove circa 1960 is a must-see treasure.

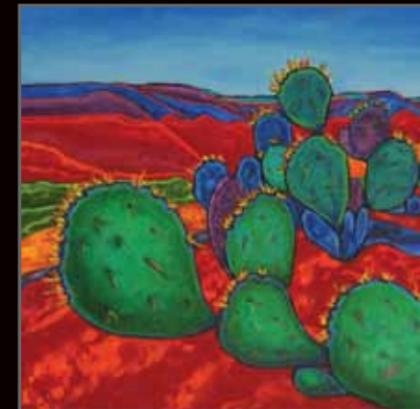
Adrienne watches a lot of kitchen shows and chef cook-offs and she'll tell you that the level of innovation and creativity knows no limits. "Food is an art form. I really like to keep up on the latest trends by going on buying trips too. One trend is Italian slow cooking. I'm still looking for a great Italian slow cooker." Given her devotion to filling her shop with wonderful product lines—contemporary and traditional, innovative and time tested, gorgeously functional and the latest gadgets, something for everyone in the kitchen—no doubt she will! ■

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WHAT'S IN YOUR NATURE?

RIGHT: "EDGE OF THE DAY" BY DANE CHINNOCK

BELOW: "CIBOLA CACTUS RAINBOW"
BY JEN FARNSWORTH



UPCOMING EVENTS

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6, 5-8 P.M.
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7, 1-4 P.M.
KIM KORI
"ANIMAL GRACE"

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 5-8 P.M.
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 1-4 P.M.
LARISA AUKON
"COLOR OUTSIDE THE BOX"

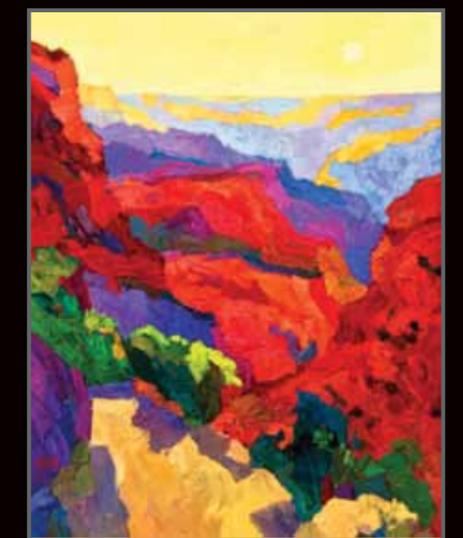
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 1-4 P.M.
SUE KRZYSTON
"COLORS OF LIFE"

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1, 5-8 P.M.
JEN FARNSWORTH & LIAM HERBERT
"IN THE SPIRIT"



ABOVE: "A CALM STRENGTH"
BY SUE KRZYSTON

RIGHT: "MOONLIGHT"
BY KIM KORI



ABOVE: "HIDDEN TRAIL" BY LARISA AUKON

LEFT: "SCULPTURE FOR PEACE" BY LIAM HERBERT

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