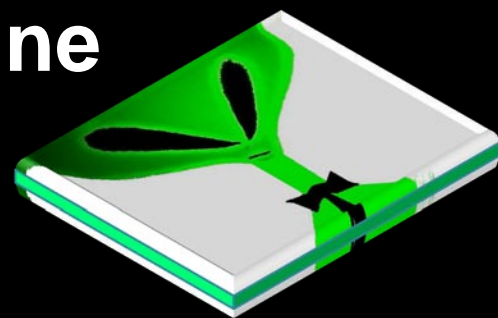


# SUA Art News Magazine

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## Larry Simon Art Scholarship

### Unique Art Pioneers

SUA was founded in 2004 by a husband and wife team, Jacqueline and Ronnie Simon, whose objective was to highlight artists with less notoriety than most contemporary artists. The two joined together and established this not-for-profit outlet, which seeks to create platforms for these “unique” artists.

SUA endeavors to acknowledge underestimated and unrecognized artists. Our mission is to find and define new art forms. Our purpose is to set a new standard in the art world by discovering “unique” art forms and promoting them in exciting and innovative ways.

“Unique” art can be mentally or physically challenging, underrated, undiscovered, or unrecognized. It can be found in sports, music, performances and in our everyday lives. We promote artists who are disabled, unconventional, extreme, and culturally diverse. We are always searching for something new. Our concept is to find different forms of original and ground-breaking art mediums and bring them together under one roof – a sort of art circus. There are endless art forms that are just waiting to be discovered.



**Allen the Alien**

Allen the Alien, SUA’s mascot, represents unique and unknown art forms. Allen, a fictitious character with a diverse wardrobe, can be seen in numerous disguises. We design Allen’s setting in accordance with the event. The alien logo has always triggered the curiosity of spectators and that is why Allen is MVP of our promotional department.

P.S. - We Love You Allen!



### His Legacy Will Live On

Larry Simon, a well respected attorney, art visionary and supporter of Society of Unique Artists, was killed, but his memory will not be forgotten. Larry was tragically killed at the young age of 41 by a drug and alcohol induced driver, who mowed him down while speeding at 80 miles an hour and driving on the wrong side of the street. This unfortunate incident happened on October 18, 2006 - just 3 months short of SUA’s scheduled Art Showcase debut.

Larry was instrumental in the birth of the organization. Unfortunately, he never got a chance to see it materialize. Ronnie Simon, Larry’s first and close cousin, refused to allow his hard work and commitment be in vain. Therefore, along with his wife, Jacqueline Simon, he used Larry’s tragedy as motivation to keep the mission alive.

Larry had many struggles and set-backs during his life, but somehow he managed to be an excellent student and passed the bar exam on his first attempt. Larry was very committed to his work and used every opportunity to make the world a better place while practicing his profession. As an assistant district attorney in Staten Island, he tried to be fair and was not eager to lock people up and throw away the key. Instead, he always tried to do the Christian thing by allowing others to repent. He eventually crossed over and became a defense attorney, which appeared to be his true calling. Larry offered his services, free of charge, to those who couldn’t afford to pay and appeared to fall victim to the system. Larry also appeared regularly as a guest commentator on the popular television channel, Court TV. Larry is very missed by everyone who knew him. Rest in peace Larry Simon

In Larry’s memory, Society of Unique Artists will dedicate a portion of its proceeds at all events to a scholarship in his name. This scholarship will be awarded to a high school student who has demonstrated considerable talent in art.

congratulations

Society of Unique Artists has awarded the SUA 2008 Artist of the Year award to sketch artist, Rebecca Miller. Rebecca, of N Y Sketches, has been recognized for her creativity and amazing ability. She was one of the most popular attractions at SUA’s Unique Artists Expo 2008, held in August, at Columbia University. Rebecca donated over 50 caricature sketches at the event.

# Society of Unique Artists “Unique Artists Expo 2008”



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SUA hosted “Unique Artists Expo 2008” on August 22, 2008 at Columbia University. The event included the following wonderful unique artists and art forms: Body Art by Derrick, Colette’s Cakes, Rebecca Miller from NY Sketches, Paper Art by Carlos N. Molina, Big Head Balloons, Ice Sculpture Designs, and the Hip-Hop Dance Conservatory. The event culminated with an amazing performance by the The Hip-Hop Dance Conservatory, “A Dream Sequence,” which was especially choreographed for SUA for the event.

“Unique Artists Expo 2008” was made possible through the support and patronage of Altadis USA, makers of Montecristo Cigars.

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