Commissions: Readme

Effective July 31, 2005, I, David Ashmore, will be accepting commissions. A commission will be defined by the Universal Observatory, as any work of literature, art, or collaborative labor done for the gain of monetary compensation...

In August, 2007, the decision was made to make changes in the pricing structure (i.e. a general price hike). These prices should still be very reasonable and not detour business. I have my fingers crossed. Also, please remember, if you have a question concerning commissions, then drop me a line. I'd glad to discuss your order in detail with you.

Rules are in place to prevent poorly considered orders, not discourage individuals form placing an order. I will make exceptions on a case by case basis at no charge (if that's your fear). So ask. The worst that can happen is I say no - and that doesn't happen often.

Changes may be made without notice but will not be retroactive...

What will be done...

- -Fights, sexual foreplay, action, stunts, romance, group shots (priced as listed), "ultraviolence" or its aftermath and "after sex".
- -"Ultra-Violence" will be loosely defined as acts producing gory, bloody, and "Fist of the North Star" scenes of extreme destruction.
- -"After sex" will be loosely defined as any scene that takes place after a sexual act be it intercourse, masturbation, or simply getting "wood". (Exceptions made at will.)
- -Suggestive and non-suggestive nude pictures of appropriate characters (children or very child-like characters will be handled non-suggestively without exception-if at all).

What will *not* be done...

- -Blatant sex acts. Sexual intercourse of any type will not be done. Masturbation will not be "front and center" or the main focus of the image and will be handled as a suggestive image. I still do not want my name showing up on porn searches... (Exceptions made at will.)
- -Politically and culturally insensitive imagery. No racial, religious, or personal slams, slurs, or the like . So don't ask!
- -The only exceptions to this may be (and these are not guaranteed) if such orders are in context with a completed story or series. Even then, don't hold your breath.

What I will need (and it's not a whole lot)...

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- -Reference material for a character(s); an image or location to find an image. I don't know most characters by name and will need a face to go with the name(s).
- -Specifications on a character, especially if the characters a "macro", Superpowered, etc. The basic information most desired includes the character's name, general age -in Earth years please, height, weight (optional), species (the general animal species such as Tiger, Grizzly Bear, Bald Eagle, Human, Dark Elf, etc. is acceptable), and any additional information you wish to include to clarify your description of your character and/or commission content. A rough description of the scene you wish drawn; the pose of the character, state of dress or undress, and props activities or scenery will be very helpful.
- -Please keep in mind that you are hiring my services based on my skills and not those of other artists. If I detect that your descriptions are attributable to another artist, I will have questions. Based upon the answers I may recommend the appropriate artist, regardless of what prices they are offering. You are hiring me to draw a character or characters in my style not another artist's style.

How long it will take...

-Because of obligations in place Please allow 1-3 weeks from the time the order is placed to be completed and shipped. All orders will be completed in the order they are received regardless of the product desired or "special" compensations offered.

How much will it cost...

- *All prices and in US dollars...
- -First, these are flat rates in US dollars. Shipping will add \$ 2.00 USD to the total covering packing and postage. This charge may change depending on packing requests or destination.
- **-UPDATED!** New system of shipping color images is in place. Color images can be sent by E-mail or CD by your choice. Sending by e-mail is free, however, be aware that uncompressed files, usually a Tif or uncompressed Jpeg, will be sent to preserve image quality and can be very large (easily 1-3 Megabytes). Sending the file by CD will cost an additional \$5.00 and will include a copy of the unflattened image(s), any additional development images, and any alternate final images sent with the original drawing.

Now the current Price List (subject to change without notice. All orders placed before a change will not be subject to the change)...

-Drawings

-One character (any character) drawing on 8.5"x11" Pencilled \$20.00/inked \$40.00

- -Additional Characters (if provided or chosen by client) on the same drawing/page pencilled \$6.00 each,/inked \$12.00 each; if provided by me -by client request only; pencilled \$5.00 each/inked \$10.00 each.
- -Props (not standard to the character(s)) Pencilled free/inked \$3.00. These are props not normally accessories to the character or characters in
 - -Background adds \$10.00 pencilled and \$15.00 inked
- -Panels (limit 5): \$20.00 pencilled and \$40.00 per panel with a minimum or two panels.
 - -Hand Colored/toned *Not supported at present
- -Will ink submitted pencil drawings for \$30 each. Do NOT send originals if at all possible. They would however be returned with the finished order.

-Computer colored/toned

- -One character (any character) for a "drawn to order" picture = \$15.00 in addition to inked drawing, \$20.00 for a pencilled drawing. Add \$10 per additional character in the drawing.
- -One character from a submitted picture (one sent to me for coloring) = \$15.00 for an inked drawing, \$20.00 for a pencilled drawing.
- *Please note that these prices reflect shading of the characters. Cel-shading is not yet fully supported.
- *"Zip-a-tone" is currently unavailable, although monochrome is an option at no charge.

-3D CGI/A

*Currently not supported.

If you wish to contact me...

-Contact my E-mail at **DC-ASHES@juno.com** *(note: do not conteact me through forums, community websites, and the like. Only by E-mail to insure privacy.)

Make subject "Commission order" if you are placing an order or "commission question" for your questions. If your are sending images or written material, please keep the image files realtively small being not much larger than 1000 pixels (10 inches/25.40cm) high or wide, as possible.

With your order...

-You will receive the original image on 8.5"x11" or larger, as available, bristol board and a confirmation code. This code is to protect me as will as you. This way I know who got what.

Payment...

PayPal:

-Go to www.PayPal.com. ID (by Email address): DC-ASHES@juno.com.

*(Note: you may be required to sign up for a PayPal account, if you do not already have one. The most basic accounts will allow you to securely pay for products and services. I find the "new homepage" much easier to navigate.)

Checks and Money Orders:

- -If you must pay by check or money order, then please, remember to include the mailing address to which you would like to receive your order.
- -My Mailing address will be sent Via Email (I do not have a PO Box as yet) because I do not wish it to be floating on a largely unsecured document online forever.

I await your patronage...

Commissions-Readme Ver. 2.3, August 5, 2007. David C Ashmore