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Aveston's Illustrations Captivate at YOHO



YOHO artist Isobel Aveston in her studio.

Isobel Aveston has early memories of sailing on her father's boat as a child, and it was during these sailing trips that she recalls creating some of her first drawings. It is an activity that passed the long hours, and also allowed her to express herself as she explored creative renditions of people as they relate to their environments and their inner emotions.

As she grew older, Aveston became quite skilled in painting and drawing, and decided to pursue a bachelor of arts degree in art history at University College in London, followed by a master's degree in illustration at Kingston University.

Aveston is accustomed to working with watercolor paints, pens and pencil to create finely-drawn illustrations that are as captivating as they are whimsical. She also works with mixed-media and Photoshop, and has been recently creating dolls that depict unique characters that she has lovingly invented.

The "For Nature Lovers" section of her website features a woman Aveston is fond of placing in different scenarios, specifically in motherhood, love and the natural world.

She is a genius at exuding mood and atmo-

sphere in her work, whether it be charming and playful or sinister and dark. Examples of these are especially represented in her "For Grown U Children" and "For Children" portions of her website. Regardless of the audience, Aveston's work is entertaining to view and likely to start a conversation.

Aveston has been with the YOHO Artists community for a little over a year. She was drawn to her studio and YOHO after moving to the area from the Upper West Side. She describes her studio as "a beautiful space – the lighting is amazing."

Aveston enjoys displaying her work in her studio, number 407 at 578 Nepperhan Ave., as well as at the Open Studio events at YOHO. She can often be seen at craft shows, and recently participated at an art fair during a trip to Maine. She is currently working on a piece for northern Ireland's "Citizens Wallpaper Project," which will feature her work as part of the Oriel Canvas.

For more information about Aveston's work, visit www.isobelavestonillustration.com. To learn more about YOHO, the largest artist community in southern Westchester, visit www.YOHOartists.com.