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Topic: The First Annual Heromorph Awards

Subject: My thoughts

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I've remained silent on the subject. But I think it's time to say something.

Rating artwork is a near impossible thing to do. It is VERY subjective, and what one person likes, another doesn't.

There's this other site that I visit from time to time. At one time, it had a rating system. This produced a vast amount of negativity in the forums as artists expressed their dismay at a bad rating. The end result being that the rating system got scrapped.

I may comment on your artwork here, but I will never give a rating. Artists in general are just too damn sensitive about their work. *LOL*

I don't want to hurt anyone's feelings. I've always tried to be very encouraging. Even the worst of artists can go from ugly duckling to swan. As an 'instructor' in the art I know there are those who take my comments in the way intended. But there are others who do not. Thus my comments are usually confined to a very few artists.

This award thing may be a good thing. But it can be bad too.

Sure, we'd all like the recognition. But not everyone is going to get it.

Those who don't win, take heart. This doesn't really mean anything. We like what you do and we want to see more of it. When given a choice between three of your favorite foods, how do you chose one? It's not easy casting a vote for one person when everyone within the category is deserving. How you might vote today, may not be the same tomorrow, or the day after that, or the day after that.

Now for the however.

If we are going to have an annual award thingy, then shouldn't there be a reward to go with it? A special gallery, perhaps. With the winning entries in it, closed to any additions. A gallery with subfolders named by year. Thus immortalizing the winners forever (or as long as heromorph endures). Just a thought.