



## Dave "PEPE" Petko

Dave "PEPE" Petko has been painting since he could hold a paintbrush. He moved to the West coast in 1992 with plans on painting professionally. He has seen his dream become a reality as of July 1st he has been self employed in the art world.

Dave has been tattooing custom tattoos for the past four years at Black Ohm Tattoos in Whistler and has started his own company Liquid Sunshine Designs in 2003 to promote and produce his own unique style of colourful acrylic paintings and limited edition Giclee prints.

Dave has sold original acrylic paintings to collectors from Seattle, Toronto, Maine, and as far away as the U.K. He enjoys showing his artwork mainly in Whistler at The Amsterdam Pub, Evolution Bikes and Boards, Lotus Art Supplies, and Black Ohm Tattoos gallery.

Dave's next exhibit with other internationally recognizable artists will be in Vancouver with a show Dec.4th at Joe Blow Glassworks, Parker St. 8-12pm.

## Chili Thom

Chili Thom was born and raised in British Columbia, which has offered him an interesting and inspiring life hiking and exploring the vast and beautiful wilderness of the Pacific Northwest.

As a small child he developed a keen interest in the outdoors as well as in the arts. At the age of twenty he studied very briefly at the University of British Columbia in Fine Arts. Not finding the guidance he was looking for he decided to return to the wilderness and began exploring acrylic paints and has been painting intensively for the last 6 years.

The first inspiration for his work has always been the wilderness. The amazing landscapes of B.C. that he traveled through during his 5 years as a wilderness guide have left lasting visions from the rugged West Coast of Vancouver Island

to the High summits in the B.C. Coastal Range. His travels overseas have also led his art in new directions.

With buyers scattered throughout the world, Chili has finally reached a point where he can retire from the mediocrity of the working world and focus solely on artistic expression.

Believing diversity to be the best creative inspiration, Chili took up photography and film making and joined up with local film company Heavy Hitting Films, which allowed him even more access to the great outdoors.

When he's not painting or making films he's spending his time digging in the crates and spinning as Dj Mr. Fister or working with his wife Kelsey Nash on their local promotion and décor business Shits and Giggles.

In Whistler, you can find Chili's work on display at Sushi Village and in The Daily Planet, as well as at his studio gallery in Function Junction (#3 1001 Lynham rd).

## Vanessa Stark

Vanessa Stark is an avid mountain biker and snowboarder. Born in Langley, BC, she has lived in Whistler since 1992 and now resides in Pemberton.

Vanessa has been involved with art most of her life. You may have seen her work on snowboards (Silver Snowboard and Prior Snowboards), in magazines, on the front of the Pique newspaper, on posters, t-shirts, stickers, cards and postcards around Whistler over the last decade.

## Olivier Roy

Olivier Roy moved from Montreal to Whistler after getting a degree in fine art in 1992. Since then, he has been pursuing the dual life of professional snowboarder and freelance artist. Oli's works using many different styles and medium (from traditional to digital), but it is always related to snowboarding in some ways.

Oli's portfolio contains work for companies in the USA, Europe and Asia. The highlights include: the notorious Boarder Bob comic strip for Snowboard Canada Magazine, an illustrated kid snowboard book and graphics for Option Snowboard.

## Brad Chornaby

Brad Chornaby is from northern Manitoba and moved to Whistler in 95. He likes surfing, snowboarding, funny movies and to party. He works as a full time stonemason and tries to get creative whenever he's not too busy.