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## Art Furnishings for Artful Living Newsletter

**Oops!**

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Dear Friend,

**Ouch!**

First some news on the personal front, which I rarely put in the newsletter.

I fell from a ladder, obviously not while making furniture or sculpture.

The result - I broke my heel bone, had surgery last week, and I am quite sidelined for a while. But before the accident, I did make some progress on the project you have been following, and I'll show it below.



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**Before showing the carvings on the drop front door**

**I do still plan to participate in a craft event at Pease Tradeport in**

**Portsmouth,**

**Sunday November 14, 10 AM to 4 PM**

The location is the food court at 14 Manchester Square.

The event is a fundraiser for a drug treatment program called "Community is Greater than Heroin." I do hope you will stop by.

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**You will remember that the project is a combination of chest of drawers, bench and show storage.**

The shoe storage part has a drop front door with carvings on it. The carving design reflects Effie's interest in whales, but my challenge was to make it not too literal, somewhat modern. I showed her a drawing where a diving whale's flukes become ribbons, much like on the iris and butterfly mirror I did last year. Here are some photos.



On the left you see how I use a leather belt to figure out how the ribbons loop and dance, on the right the drawing with the two sides of the ribbon color coded red and blue so that I can follow them with my eye before carving.

**This is the carved door.**



You will notice some additional ribbon carvings to show the water and waves, and some smaller ones above that representing geese migrating.

**That's it for now.**

Sorry to say, work is on hold just now, but do consider coming November 14.

**Jeffrey.**

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