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The Little Mermaid

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Believe it or not, I am a huge fan of “The Little Mermaid.” I honestly believe it is the film that sparked the renaissance in Disney animation coming out of the 1980’s. While “Beauty and the Beast” may be the most purely romantic of the modern-day Disney classics and “The Lion King” the most powerfully dramatic, “The Little Mermaid” is clearly the most enjoyably enchanting of these films and certainly best captures the innocent nature of first love. Watching my four daughters all grow into young women I have been privy to the emotional peaks and valleys of young love. I understand King Triton’s concern and desire to protect his youngest from a relationship facing so many obstacles. But, I also recognize the desperate love Ariel feels towards Prince Eric and the purity of her belief that their love can conquer all. Love is powerful, love is captivating and first love absolutely enchants!

The creation of “The Little Mermaid” much like “Tinker Bell and Peter Pan Fly to Neverland”, presented special technical and aesthetic challenges for me that were not present in most of my other Disney paintings. Thematically, this film deals with the clash between two worlds and how to best integrate them together. So it was with my painting. I had to bring the undersea world of Ariel’s childhood into peace with the land-bound life she so longed for with her beloved, Prince Eric. I felt the sea life at the bottom of the composition did this, allowing both parts of Ariel’s life, past and future, in all their regal and colorful glory. I truly hope the loyal fans of the film enjoy my narrative tale of “The Little Mermaid”.



Key Points

- The Little Mermaid is the ninth image released in the Disney Dreams Collection.
- Thom enjoys hiding characters from his previous Disney Dreams Collection images into each new image of this collection. Can you find them all?
 - Beast (Beauty and the Beast Falling in Love)
 - Cinderella (Cinderella Wishes Upon A Dream)
 - Pinocchio (Pinocchio Wishes Upon A Star)
 - Sleeping Beauty (Sleeping Beauty)
 - Snow White (Snow White Discovers the Cottage)
 - Thumper (Bambi's First Year)
 - Timon (The Lion King)
 - Tinker Bell (Tinker Bell and Peter Pan Fly to Neverland)
- Also hidden in the image are 6 Mickey Ears Silhouettes.
- Thom captures Ariel's life, past, present and future by incorporating the undersea life and the above ground love story into the image.
- Prince Eric's Castle and Kingdom decorate the warm beachfront and hillside, while his ship sails proudly with the setting sun behind it.
- Ariel and her beloved Prince Eric are captured affectionately looking into each others eyes on the rocky seashore as their best friends, Max the Dog, Flounder and Sebastian look on in admiration. King Triton and Ariel's sisters emerge from their undersea world to also catch a glimpse of their love story unfolding.
- The brilliant and vibrant undersea life in this image is Thom's first depiction of an underwater scene.
- In the undersea life, Thom was sure to include the story's balance of good and evil with King Triton's Kingdom, Atlantica, standing proudly in the background as the evil Ursula and her eels lurk about.
- Among the brilliant parade of fish, you might find a special gift Flounder brought to Ariel for her collection of items from above the sea.
- Capturing many telling scenes from Disney's The Little Mermaid film into one narrative panorama was quite a challenge for Thom that resulted into a very compelling and beautiful addition to this collection.

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