

## ILLUSTRATION

Illustrations 1999-2012

5"x7"

Ink and Gouache on Paper

This work comes from a series of Illustrations for a dark children's book. Characters are stylized and often humorous. They have personalities and one can imagine what they might say or do.

The process used in the creation of these paintings begins with loose sketches in ink, followed by painting in gouache and watercolor.

The inspiration for this work came from numerous sources. The characters are all representations of friends. The friend's personality then is exaggerated and transformed visually into a fictitious character.

The size and style of the work was inspired by Persian miniatures and by icon painting. I have always found these art forms inspirational and full of unintentional humor,

