Douglas Education Center Art Instructor’s Work Comes To Life

Monessen, PA—Douglas Education Center (DEC) instructor Dorian Cleavenger is adding a new accomplishment to his already prestigious list. His remarkable artwork will be brought to life in the form of fantasy figures being sold by Yamato USA. These resin-quality figures will bring together the visions of numerous fantasy artists hailing from Europe and the Americas. The first of Dorian’s works to be created is “Akira,” sculpted by Plant-jzero Moekichi

Cleavenger is the featured instructor in DEC’s “Jim Allan and Phil Wilson’s Illustration and Fantasy Art Program,” and has been teaching at DEC for the past year. He is an internationally acclaimed fantasy artist, with fans all over the world and he has been an amazing gift to the students, bringing his expertise and passion into the classroom. In the future, DEC hopes to offer a short, intense program in fantasy art, with Cleavenger instructing, for students interested in that specialized genre.

“At first I had some concerns about a company transposing a two dimensional piece of art, especially a painting as complex as “Akira,” into three dimensions and replicating it without compromising its integrity,” said Cleavenger. “But, Yamato USA has proved me wrong! When I saw the final sculpture it just blew me away. I not only commend them on their attention to detail and in keeping true to the original painting, but also for their professionalism in this journey of making ‘my’ dream come true.”

Yamato USA is now in the process of accepting preorders for “Akira” through August 22, 2008. The statues tentative release date is December 2008.


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