

Local artist offers new works

KOWALKE SHOWING AT HARBOR GALLERY 2

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Local artist Peter Kowalke is showing his recent collection of paintings titled "Hills and Horses," today through May 31 at Harbor Gallery 2 in Kawaihae. There will be an artist reception from 6-8 p.m. today, when visitors will have a chance to meet the artist and discuss his newest work.

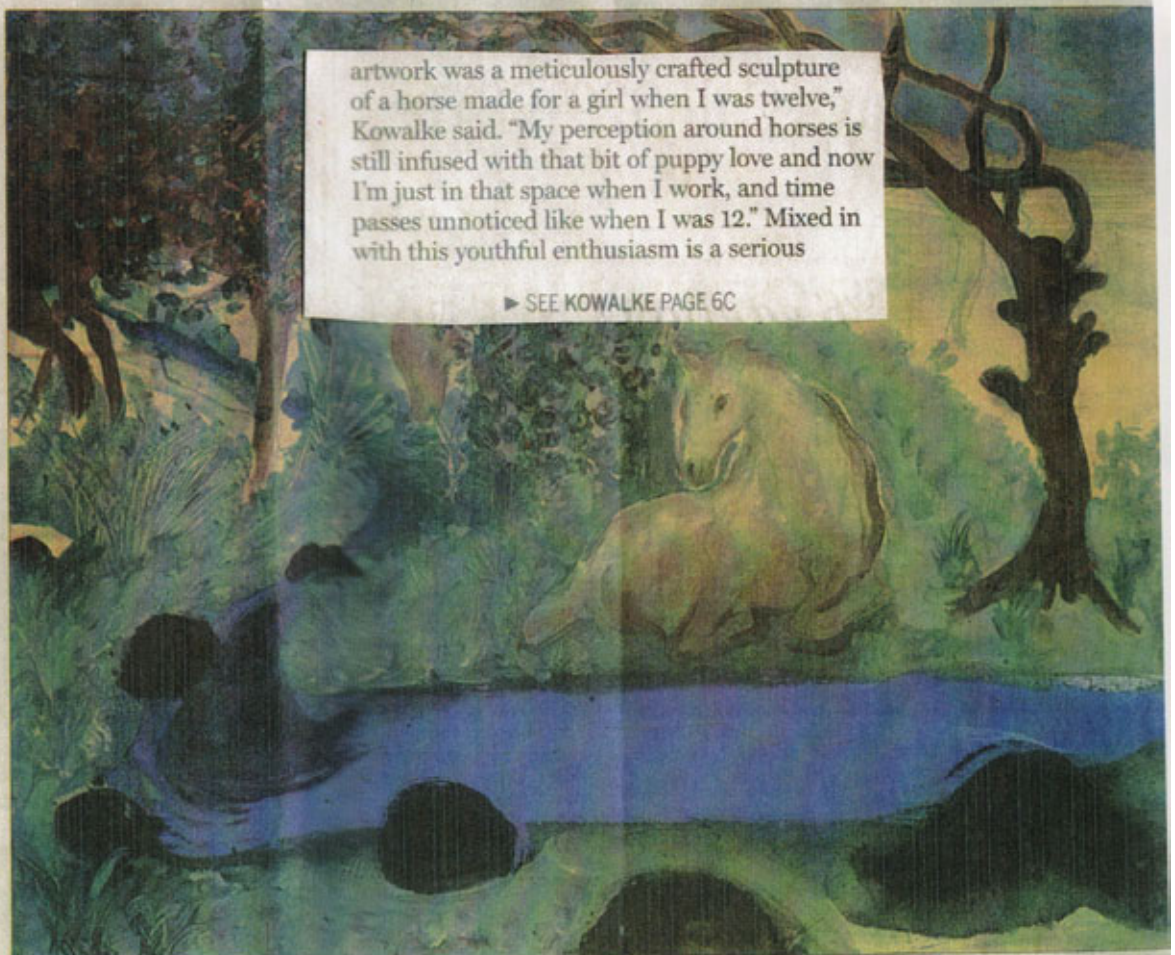


Kowalke, originally from Oahu, now resides on the Big Island and is a painter, sculptor and ceramist. He has shown in Hawaii, Europe, as well as the mainland United States, and has had more than 25 professional art exhibits since the age 16.

In this recent collection, Kowalke has chosen a return to horses as a somewhat rejuvenating subject. "My first 'real'

artwork was a meticulously crafted sculpture of a horse made for a girl when I was twelve," Kowalke said. "My perception around horses is still infused with that bit of puppy love and now I'm just in that space when I work, and time passes unnoticed like when I was 12." Mixed in with this youthful enthusiasm is a serious

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