

the  
**GLAD TO BE  
ALIVE!**  
sketchbook



by  
SUE  
CLANCY

Extra special thanks to Judy who travels life with me. And to Vancouver WA and the Pacific Northwest world for existing.... You've made me glad.

The Glad To Be Alive Sketchbook – drinks and music edition 2017  
by Sue Clancy

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“Stay close to anything that makes you glad to be alive.”

– Ancient Sufi saying

“I go sketching to find out what I want to say – I go looking for things I enjoy, things that catch my eye and make me smile – then back at the studio I make fine art, artist books or pattern designs in order to talk about these things more clearly.”

– Sue Clancy

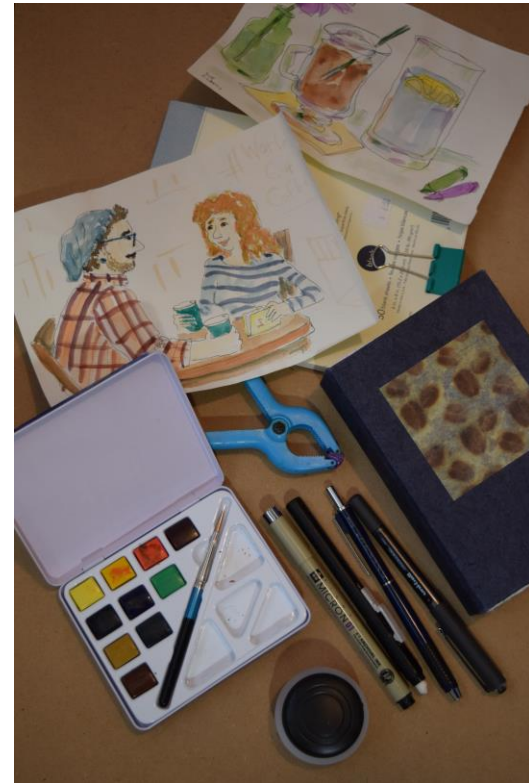
The photo to the right shows generally what my “running-around-loose” sketchbook and kit look like:

Most of the time all I use is my pencil and pen. Sometimes I bring a tiny watercolor set. My sketchbook fits into my pocket or a small bag. The book pictured here measures 6.5 x 4.5 inches when closed.

Other “running-around-loose” sketchbooks are 3.5 x 5 inches when closed.

In this eBook you’ll see both sizes of sketchbooks.

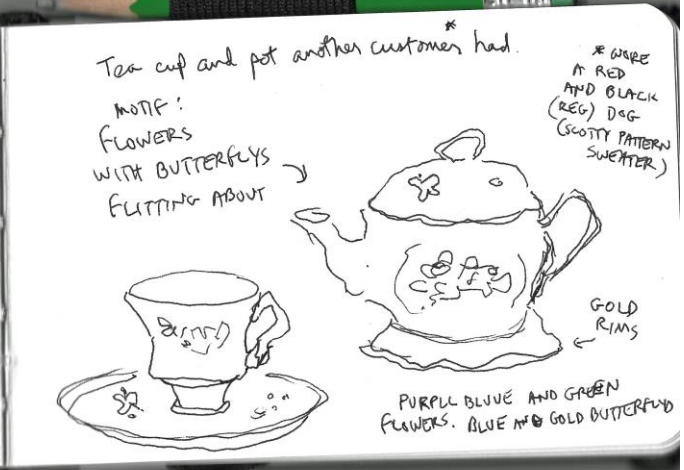
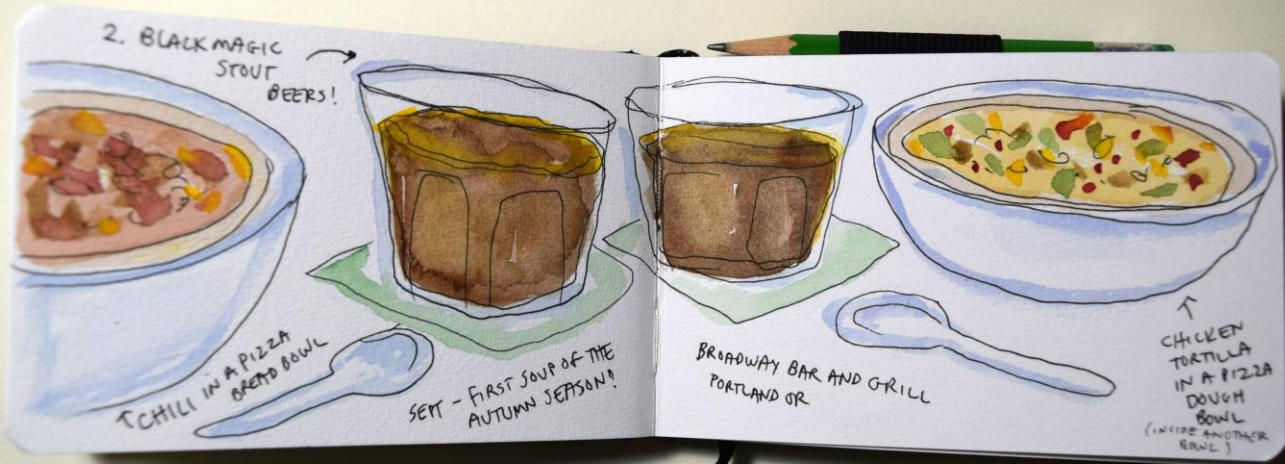
All of the sketchbook pages reproduced in this eBook have to do with either drinks or music. They are not in chronological order. These drawings are some of the “resource data” for the fine artwork, artist books and pattern designs I’ve produced in 2017.





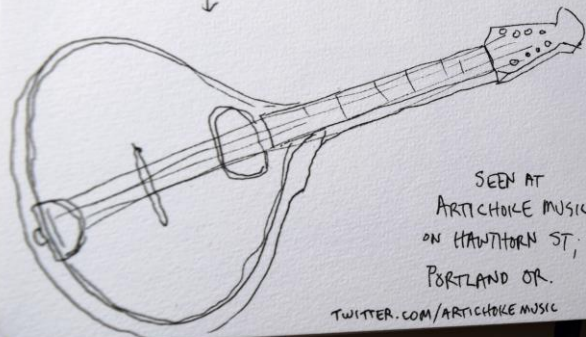
VANCOUVER SYMPHONY AT THE  
KIGGINS







"IRISH  
BOUBUSHKI"



SEEN AT  
ARTICHOKE MUSIC  
ON HAWTHORN ST,  
PORTLAND OR.

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"FLAT IRON  
MANDOLA"



"THE LOAF"  
F-STYLE  
MANDOLIN



"BANJO  
UKULELE"

JOE BROWN'S CAFE  
VANCOUVER WA

SCRAMBLED EGGS, PATTY  
SAUSAGE AND HOMEMADE  
HASHBROWNS ↓!



ENGLISH  
MUFFINS

"WE'VE CLEANED OUR PLATES SO WELL  
THEY ALMOST DON'T HAVE TO WASH 'EM" - JUDY SAID



VERY  
GOOD  
COFFEE  
IN A  
HANDSOME  
SPECKLED  
BROWN AND  
CREAM MUG

WHERE'S THE RESTROOM?

GOT CHANGE FOR A 20?

10 BUCKS AND I'LL TELL YA

TOO MUCH TROUBLE.  
I'LL TELL YOU ANYWAY  
ITS...

HEE  
HEE!









LATTE DA  
VANCOUVER WA



WE HAD:  
"GRIDDLE-  
CAKES"  
AND  
"CHORIZO  
MIGAS"  
YUM!



WAREHOUSE 23

VANCOUVER WA

(WE SAT NEAR WINDOWS HANGING  
OVER THE COLUMBIA RIVER!)

DEVINE  
SWINE  
PIZZA ↘



"OH  
YUM!"  
- SUE SAID

RUSTY  
RITA ↘



BECAUSE OF PROXIMITY TO THE COLUMBIA RIVER BLUE COLORS FEEL  
DOMINANT - BUT THE FURNITURE ETC INSIDE THE RESTAURANT  
FEELS LIKE OLD WOODEN SHIP!! NICE!!

SMOKED APPLE  
MANHATTAN  
↓

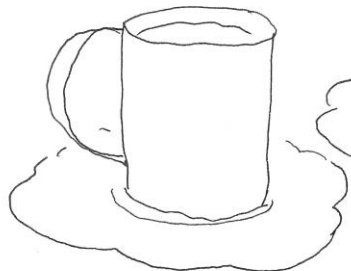


STEELHEAD  
AND CHIPS  
↙



"LIFE IS GOOD!" - JUDY SAID

TIGERS GARDEN  
VANCOUVER WA



TALL SKINNY MUGS OF YUMMY  
HOT TEA!  
↙

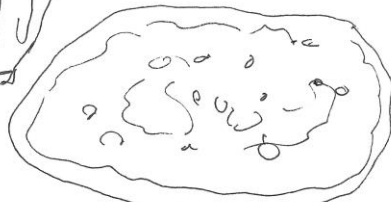


LOUS LEAF SHAPE  
SAUCERS!

GLASSES FOR WATER  
ARE TULIP SHAPED!  
↓



SAUSAGE  
PIZZA!  
SUPER YUMMY!  
↗



Wow! THEY REALLY TAKE CARE OF  
THEIR CUSTOMERS! PAMPER THEM EVEN!

FUN  
BLACK AND  
WHITE ART  
ON WALLS!

NONA'S  
PIZZA  
VANCOUVER  
WA



TEMPTING  
DELICIOUS  
SMELLS COME  
← FROM THE  
WINERY'S  
KITCHEN!



AT BURNT BRIDGE CELLARS WE KEEP  
TASTING MANY YUMMY WINES TO BE SURE  
BUT OUR FAVORITE IS STILL THEIR TEMPRANILLO!  
OR, MAYBE THE SYRAH? OR THE CABERNET...?

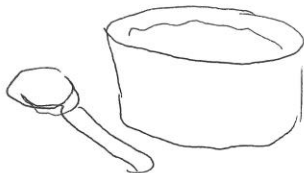


"LIFE  
IS SO  
GOOD!"  
- SAY BOTH  
JUDY  
AND SUE

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AT MCMENAMINS  
ON THE COLUMBIA  
VANCOUVER WA

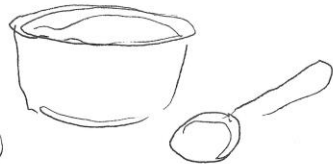
TOMATO & RICE  
SOUP



MOROCCAN COFFEE'S!



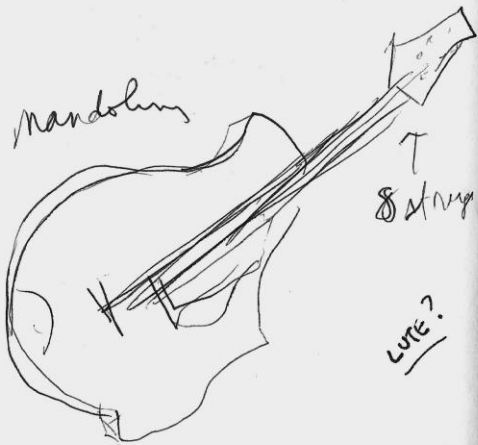
x CLAM  
CHOWDER





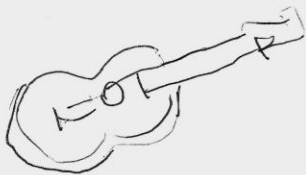
Music Patti played @ Pairings  
instruments: ukelele, mandolin,  
base, jazz guitar, clarinet  
Saxophone

MANDOLIN, UKE, GUITAR, CLARINET ← 1 set



UKE?

uke has 4 strings



Patti played  
wore black & white  
w/ fedora hat & tie



YUM! SAID EVERYONE

BE HAPPY HEFE

ASH CLOUD AMBER



BARREL O' STEAK BITES AND MUSHROOMS!



AT BARREL MOUNTAIN BREWERY, BATTLEGROUND WA

BARREL MOUNTAIN O' WINGS



TRAIL BUILDER IMPERIAL



STARWAY STOUT



WE ATE OUTSIDE AT A LONG WOODEN TABLE

MINT THOR BAKERY PORTLAND OR



"EVERY TIME I COME HERE I'M INSPIRED" SAID JUDY "ME TOO!" SAID SUE

CUP OF POTATO LEEK SOUP



half sandwich: KALE, CHEVRE, OLIVES, PICKLED ONION



COFFEE



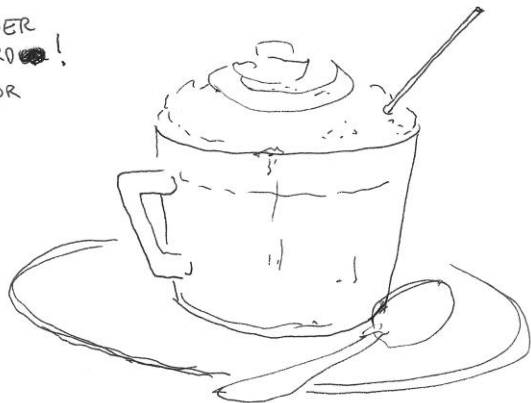
JUDY HAD THE SOUP AND THE GRILLED CHEESE: GRUYERE, CHEDDAR, CANNELIZED ONION ON WHEAT.



THE ORIGINAL MUSIC  
OF "LOS DOS" !



BRODER  
NORD!  
POX. OR



EXTREMELY  
YUMMY  
SWEDISH  
COFFEES!



AT LOOWIT  
BREWING  
VANCOUVER WA

← COMIC BOOK ABOUT  
SHADOW STOUT

← DRY IRISH  
STOUT



← WE GOT OUR GROWLER  
FILLED WITH THE  
"RED SHADOW"  
← A MIX OF RED ALE  
AND SHADOW SHIBU

← DRY IRISH  
STOUT



Photo of Sue Clancy drawing in a “running around loose” sketchbook prior to drinking coffee and eating lunch – and the page she drew. (photo by Judy)



Sue Clancy's finds artistic inspiration where she lives in the Pacific Northwest. Her lighthearted storybook style fine art is created in her art studio with brush and ink or with cut handmade papers using hand designed patterns inspired by what she recorded in her sketchbook.

Sue's artwork resides in numerous public and private collections. She is represented by commercial fine art galleries: Caplan Art Designs in Portland Oregon [www.caplanartdesigns.com](http://www.caplanartdesigns.com), and the Joseph Gierek Fine Art Gallery in Tulsa Oklahoma [www.gierek.com](http://www.gierek.com)

Other sketchbooks published by Sue Clancy are:

“Dr. Bob’s Emotional Repair Program First Aid Kit”,

“Coffee, Table, Book”,

“Dogs by Sue Clancy”

The above books can be found via Amazon (and etc. booksellers) and via these links:

<https://store.bookbaby.com/book/dr-bobs-emotional-repair-program-first-aid-kit>

<https://store.bookbaby.com/book/coffee-table-book>

<https://store.bookbaby.com/book/Dogs-By-Sue-Clancy>

Her surface designs and product designs (also inspired by real-life as recorded in her sketchbooks) on fabric and other items can be found via these links:

<http://www.shopvida.com/collections/sue-clancy>

<https://society6.com/sueclancy>

<https://www.spoonflower.com/profiles/sueclancy>

When not out in the world sketching or in the studio writing, drawing or cutting and gluing handmade paper to make her artwork, she can be found reading a library book alongside a dachshund named Rusty – or watching a foreign film with her wife and best friend Judy. You can see more about her life and artwork at [www.sueclancy.com](http://www.sueclancy.com)