

Artist bio:



Jeff Ocasio and his wife, Dale, work collaboratively to create sculpted art expressing an imaginative, storybook spirit. Both were raised in Tampa, where they met, started a family, and began a creative life together. After a move to North Fort Myers in the '90s, they continued their adventures.

Sculpting with crepe paper masking tape over wire or reclaimed objects is where their artwork begins. It all started when Jeff began exploring the artistic uses of masking tape while creating a unique texture over some wood shelving he was building. Soon realizing he could manipulate the tape and use it like clay to create shapes, he applied his 3-dimensional designs over found objects. He eventually began creating his own armatures with

wire to create the freestanding characters and creatures that make up a large portion of their portfolio today. He found the unusual medium to be liberating and has been teaching his sculpting techniques for more than a decade to help spread the joy of it.

Ever since refining their whimsical, self-taught folk-art style of sculpting with masking tape, they've been honored to have their art awarded in juried shows and have exhibited their art locally throughout SW Florida. Visit their website: art@ocasiocasa.com.