

Cover Page Art

Day of the Dead

Poster

by Jim Harter

Originally a self-taught artist, Jim Harter played a small part in creating concert posters for Austin's Vulcan Gas Company and Armadillo World Headquarters. Influenced by San Francisco artist Wilfried Satty, he became skilled as a collage artist, becoming a magazine illustrator and publishing two books of surrealistic works. He sometimes described himself as an image archivist, and he was particularly interested in 19th-century wood engravings.



Over the years, according to his own estimate, he collected about 200,000 of these images. His knowledge of Victorian imagery led him to edit many clip-art books. Harter later published two railroad history books illustrated entirely with Victorian engravings, followed by histories of early tractors and early automobiles, these illustrated with advertising drawings. He was also an accomplished painter, using an old-master technique. His paintings were influenced by his earlier collage work and also owe something to symbolism, surrealism, fantastic realism, and an exposure to Eastern philosophy. One of the seminal events of Harter's life was seeing a flying saucer as a young man. Jim Harter passed away after a brief illness on October 7, 2015.



The Theatre of Void

Jim Harter

Community Outreach Efforts

Voices de la Luna is a literary magazine, but *Voices de la Luna* is a nonprofit organization that does more than just publish. The editors, contributors, and volunteers who represent the organization work to make a positive difference in the San Antonio community through poetry and art therapy sessions, writing workshops, youth poetry contests, and more. Between July 12 and October 11, 2016, 33 *Voices* volunteers interacted with 261 participants at Haven for Hope, the Bexar County Detention Center, and at our monthly literary events. These numbers are incomplete, but they provide an idea of the level of commitment to the community that *Voices de la Luna*, the organization, has. This commitment is reflected in our motto: poetry heals and arts advance the quality of life.

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