

# SID LAJEUNESSE

Isidro S. LaJeunesse. But I go by Sid. I was born in January of 1965. The son of a Marine who is also the son of a Marine. To me it was a tradition I had to keep, so upon completion of the 12th grade I enlisted in the Marine Corps as a jet mechanic and served honorably for 10 years. During that time I created a logo for an intermediate level maintenance squadron, MALS-11 (Marine Aviation Logistical Squadron-11 out of El Toro California). I was also recommended for and then painted a 12ft X 12ft sign for the entrance to the base advertising the Air museum on station.

I left the Marines in May of 1993 to return to Albuquerque, NM. Over the next 8 years I operated a custom airbrush shop in Albuquerque, along with a couple of summers at Cliff's amusement park. I spent one of those years in Las Vegas doing all things airbrushed for the locals as well as for many celebrities and different shows on the strip.

I made my way back into the Military, the Army National guard first and then the Air Force National Guard in Security Forces. I served one tour in Iraq and eventually retired.

I returned to my art and painted anything I could get my hands on. I took a small detour back to Iraq as a security specialist from 2010 thru 2011. I returned to pick up my art, along with some other distractions.

I paint with acrylics using the airbrush and paint brushes. I am a member of the New Mexico Veterans Art Association (thru which I have received numerous awards for my art). I've been published in 3 different Air Brush magazines in the US and Europe. I've represented Thayer and Chandler airbrush company and Dr. PH Martins and Pacific Tee's airbrush paints. I've been an instructor at the Tools of the Trade art materials conventions and I've displayed and painted with SATA Airbrush's at the SEMA Show in Las Vegas, Nv. My airbrushing career has spanned over 34 years. I am currently working on a book of some of my works.