

Hello Paulette,

The cartoon is 15" long and 5" deep. The mat is 25" long and 14" deep. I measured one that I have. The mat is cut a full inch away from the edge of the comic, giving Nicole room to sign and write a dedication.

With choice two, it is a hand-colored print of the b&w cartoon with "original" coloring added by Nicole. Each one colored by hand. All originals are black and white.

There is only one original. Once sold, only prints are available. "Original...with all the artist's marks and or corrections" simply means that you can see any changes or additions during the creation of the comic. Nicole does not have any assistants who do part of the work. She works alone and sometimes reuses part of a print from some character that she used before. She may reuse a pose of Sylvia and she simply changes her jewelry and her hairdo. This is apparent on the original but does not show when it appears in the newspaper. I love the originals. They have so much character. I don't find it distracting but an insight into her brilliant mind.

If you are a Sylvia fan, you know the text always changes but it is intense and she letters the comic herself. She draws every line and writes alone.

I have enormous respect for how prolific she is, writing and drawing six comics every week. She illustrates books, writes plays and teaches art to college students.

Thank you for asking the questions. I hope I have answered them for you.

Let me know in which comic you are interested and I will see if it is available.

Cheers!

Jacque Parsons

Thank you again, Jacque. Possibly you sent me a pdf invoice or maybe my email to you or your email to me is still bouncing around the ether. Or maybe you are rolling on the floor laughing that someone might think the original of a popular cartoon from over a decade ago would still be available. Or maybe you're simply on vacation. In any case, I've not heard back regarding the artwork I'm interested in so thought I'd write again.

The cartoon is 1995 July 28; two girl friends are discussing a study which says men are happier, make more money and have more satisfying sex lives after marrying but women often suffer wage loss, increased burdens and no change in sexual satisfaction.

I would be looking at choice #3. Send invoice via .pdf???

Thank you!

Hello again Paulette,

The original comic for July 28, 1995 has already been sold. It was one of Nicole's favorites too. She was so taken with your request for a comic from over a decade ago that she has agreed to make you an original. She will draw two, new woman having a gender chat and the copy will be the same. It will be a little different but an original, none the less.

You will have an original by Nicole that has never been published.

If you agree, I will send you an invoice right away. All I need is your shipping address with phone number for Fed. EX.....I will send the invoice, you will send a check and Nicole will send your original.

Thank you for your interest in Nicole's work.

Cheers!

Jacque Parsons

This Gender Chat is Less than Satisfying. A brings up the study, B asks 'Then why do so many of us long to marry?' 'Well, it's puzzling.' A begins, 'It makes us seem kinda...' B interrupts 'Dumb?'

The dedication: For Paulette - Makes you wonder doesn't it? Nicole Hollander 2007