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Artists around since the Ice Age

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Ice Age was released over nine years ago, but many of **Magic's** veteran artists have been going strong all that time. These artist old-timers (as we lovingly refer to them) bring amazing consistency, experience and creativity to the look of **Magic**, and some of them are highlighted in today's Arcana. Take a peek at a few samples of their work from then and now.

Artist	Example art from <i>Ice Age</i>	Example art from <i>Mirrodin</i> block
Rob Alexander	<p>Illusionary Terrain</p>	<p>Beacon of Immortality</p> <p>Instant</p> <p>Double target player's life total. Shuffle Beacon of Immortality into its owner's library.</p> <p><i>The cave floods with light. A thousand rays shine forth and meld into one.</i></p> <p>—Rob Alexander</p>
Randy Gallegos	<p>Melting</p> <p>Enchantment</p> <p>All snow-covered lands become non-snow-covered lands of the same type.</p> <p><i>"Who needs the sun when you've got me around?"</i></p> <p>—Jaya Ballard, Tash Mage</p> <p>Illus. Randy Gallegos</p>	<p>Auriok Salvagers</p> <p>Creature — Human Soldier</p> <p>1: Return target artifact card with converted mana cost 1 or less from your graveyard to your hand.</p> <p><i>"Memnarch or the vedalken salvage most of the large machines, leaving us only scraps. Scraps are enough."</i></p> <p>—Randy Gallegos</p> <p>2/4</p>

Heather Hudson

Giant Trap Door Spider 1



Summon Spider

1: Remove from the game target creature, which doesn't have flying and is attacking you, and Giant Trap Door Spider.

"So large and so quiet—a combination best avoided."
—Disa the Restless, journal entry

Illus. Heather Hudson 2/3

Molder Slug 3



Creature — Beast

At the beginning of each player's upkeep, that player sacrifices an artifact.

Fortunately for it, Mirrodin is a plane without salt.

Heather Hudson 4/6

Christopher Rush

Snow-Covered Plains



Land

: Add to your mana pool.

Illus. Christopher Rush

Joiner Adept 1



Creature — Elf Druid

Lands you control have " : Add one mana of any color to your mana pool."

A talented apprentice makes all things. The master makes all things possible.

Christopher Rush 2/1

Brian Snoddy

Chaos Lord 4



Summon Lord

First strike
Chaos Lord can attack the first turn it comes into play on a side, except the turn it first comes into play. During your upkeep, count the number of permanents. If that number is even, target opponent gains control of Chaos Lord.

Illus. Brian Snoddy 7/7

Rustmouth Ogre 4



Creature — Ogre

Whenever Rustmouth Ogre deals combat damage to a player, you may destroy target artifact that player controls.

It has an iron stomach. Literally.

Brian Snoddy 5/4

Ron Spencer



Mark Tedin



Pete Venters



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