

PEACEABLE KINGDOM

This woodland scene includes an animal from each of the dozen other images. I used scale to create a suggestion of depth.



BUNNY RUN

When I started the project, my hundreds of daffodils were blooming; my yard was filled with violets, and a bunny had burrowed under a neighbor's shed.



LUCKY DUCKLING

Papa mallard is the stay-at-home Dad in this family. Look carefully at the clover to discover which one is the lucky duckling. The Virginia bluebells were blooming near the river the week I made this one.



WAY UP HIGH

Here are plants that live in Pennsylvania's higher elevations: mountain laurel and moosewood (or striped maple). Black-throated blue warblers are found of laurels. Cedar waxwings and chipmunks are forest creatures.



BOBBING ALONG

A red, red robin feeds hungry chicks while a fledgling investigates. The flowers are similar to wild indigo and lupine.





QUEEN OF THE BUTTERFLIES

Look closely to see the monarch butterfly life cycle (except eggs). Pennsylvania native Turk'scap lily is festooned with ladybugs, a garden favorite.

TWO HEADS ARE BETTER

I saw baby raccoons in a tree. The mother chattered at me very loudly. There are two sets of two (raccoons and birds.) I changed the colors in the tree from top to bottom to give a sense of afternoon light.





During this week of peak spring migration, the colorful birds pass through. I altered the sizes to make them consistent. The "purple finch" is more rosy in true color, but I played with the name. Here are indigo bunting, purple finch, scarlet tanager, goldfinch, yellow warbler, sparrow, blackbird and robin.



WAITING FOR RAIN

Bleeding hearts and other native spring ephemerals bloomed during a dry spell. I thought of turtles and waited for rain. Also seen here are gaywings, a small orchid–like wildflower, dragonflies, trillium, fern and horsetail.



SQUIRREL'S WORLD

Peonies and irises bloom together, and complement each other so well. You may think it's your garden, but to the squirrel...it is their world. I added the grasshoppers for a but of elegant surprise.



SPRING in the FOREST

Early spring is a beautiful world for this young fawn to step into. Spring beauty and trout lilies are Pennsylvania natives. Primroses are European natives found in our gardens, but they are my favorite flower, so I could not resist including a few.



TIME TO FLY

It was a super flower blood moon, seen here with sleeping mourning dove, flowering dogwood and of course, the barn owl.

A super moon is a full moon close to Earth; a blood moon is a lunar eclipse; and the flower moon is full in May.



CHILLY NIGHT

Fox went out one chilly night. The April week I worked on this, it snowed. The red osier dogwood are showing new growth on their red stems, and a pair of cardinals is flirting in the background.

