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(story title)

First
Next
Then
Finally

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Next

Ruby has everything she needed but she became bored. One day the zookeeper saw her scratching at the ground with a stick and decided to give her a paintbrush and some paint. Then Ruby became Ruby, the painting elephant.

Then

Ruby used multiple colors and was a fast painter, normally completing a painting in 10 minutes. This became her style. FInally the zookeepers let the world know about Ruby's ability. She became famous and was featured on TV. Her paintings sold for a lot of money that the zoo used for conservation efforts.

Finally

In 1996, at the age of 22, Ruby was moved to the Tulsa Zoo in Oklahoma. The new zoo has a male elephant named Allan; she lived with him for a year. Sadly, after two years, she became sick and has to be put down in 1998. Her memory lives on in an annual day of recongition at the Pheonix Zoo.