



The History Between The Lines

By Chris Greenwood

Art teacher Brian Gilbert's life was affected by a tradition brought through the ages, and now he wants to use that tradition to inspire others.

"I don't just do it so I can make a living," Gilbert said. "I have to do it. If I don't produce work, I feel that I'm not living to my potential."

Gilbert not only teaches art, but he has his own separate passion for art that's not tied to Rider.

"Being an artist is something I have wanted to do since I was a little kid," Gilbert said. "I had an uncle and an adopted grandfather figure who were artists, they were my first exposure to art."

Gilbert's uncle was an artist before he was sent to Vietnam, and he never received any formal art training.

"He came back like a lot of guys and had seen some things that affected his outlook on life," Gilbert said. "He never had a lot of ambition, but he did like to draw. He was probably my biggest influence."

Gilbert never thought his dream to become an artist was out of his reach until his parents began to discourage him, he said.

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Art by teacher Brian Gilbert.

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VALENTINE'S DAY:

IT'S DEBATABLE

Are Gifts A Must?

54%
say no

"It's not important even in a relationship because what you feel about the other person is enough."

Lily Landours, 9

46%
say yes

"Valentine's Day is a holiday. It's like Christmas; you just kind of have to."

Caitlin Bush, 10

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