

Art Box Featured Artist of the Month: Scott Van Iderstine

Scott Van Iderstine is a 23-year-old illustrator at the Art Institute of Fort Lauderdale, where he is currently completing his education. Born and raised in New Jersey, Scott has always loved to draw, but has never considered himself an artist.

As Scott vectored into his first college experience,



three years at the University of Tampa, he thought he would gravitate toward more mainstream interests for his future, something like business or marketing. But it didn't feel right. Scott kept drawing but hid his work, never thinking it was good enough or worth showing to people.

In his later years at Tampa he began drawing more and more. At some point, he had so many drawings around that people began seeing them and wanting to buy them because they thought they good.

This helped Scott get over his insecurity in his artistic ability. He finally got to a point where he was proud of his work. He wanted to show it to his friends, classmates and teachers. He

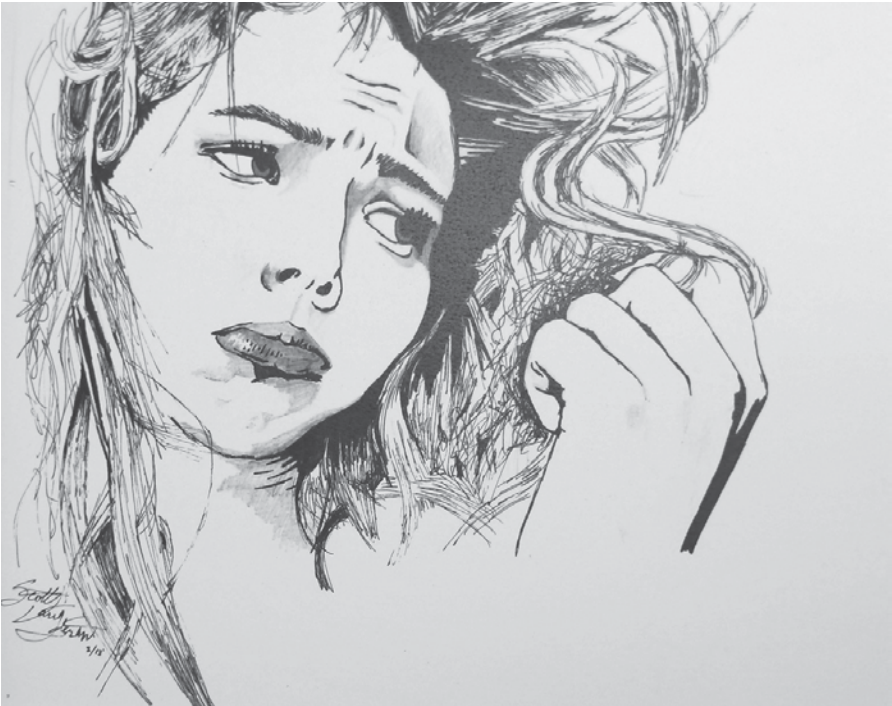


wanted to show the whole world!

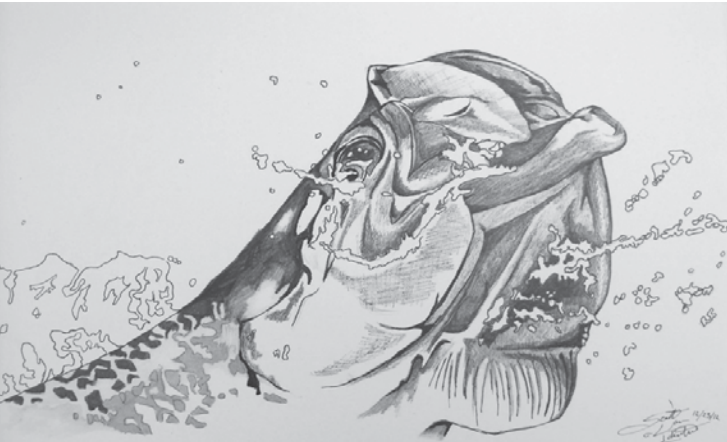
So now Scott has finished at Tampa and has officially become a resident of Tavernier, (following his parents' move to the Keys). He is enjoying their new, joyous, retired lifestyle, and living in the Keys between school terms. He worked rad jobs (his word!)... from rent-

ing jet skis at resorts, to making/installing signs and artistic boat wraps. And as his father is a very passionate and experienced back-country fly fisherman, he has joined him and experienced many captivating, creative, and artistically inspiring moments on the water.

At the Art Institute of Fort Lauderdale illustration



became his passion. He mainly use graphite pencils, colored pencils, and ink. Markers, acrylic paints, and graphic art are new, challenging attractions for his use. He's working on oils as well, but finds them a bit more difficult to execute. He absolutely loves black and white, and his favorite work is black and white pencil/ink/marker, with a tiny pop of color added. The work just seems to come to life.



At this point, Scott feels confident he is doing exactly what he's supposed to be doing with his life. He's proud to say he is not only an illustrator/graphic designer at the Art Institute, but an exuberant, self-proclaimed artist of two years. He's claiming the title and mastering the work, and he hopes you will enjoy what he's done.

You can contact Scott at 732-513-5172 or scootervani@hotmail.com, and stop by the Art Box to see his work on display.



Alcohol Trivia

The U.S. Marines first recruiting station was a bar.

Bourbon is the official spirit of the U.S., by an act of Congress.

Among the Bagonda people of Uganda, the several widows of a recently deceased king have the distinctive honor of drinking the beer in which his entrails have been cleaned.

The shallow champagne glass originated with Marie Antionette. It was first formed from wax molds of her breasts.

Methyphobia is the fear of alcohol.

Dipsomania refers to an abnormal or insatiable craving for alcohol.

In Malaysia, drunk drivers are jailed and so are their spouses.

Adolf Hitler was one of the world's best known abstainers from alcohol; his adversary, Sir Winston Churchill, was one of the world's best known heavy drinkers.

There is a cloud of alcohol in outer space with enough alcohol to make four trillion-trillion drinks. It is free for the taking... but it is 10,000 light years away from earth.

President Lincoln, when informed that General Grant drank whiskey while leading his troops, reportedly replied "Find out the name of the brand so I can give it to my other Generals".



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