

Ya Gotta Have art

By Haley Hepker

Bryce Cox is known for his magnificent voice, his quick actions on the field, his strong force on the wrestling mat, and his artistic abilities. In fact, he was on the state runner-up football team, was in All-State choir, and qualified as an individual at state wrestling. However, out of all the special talents he carries, art has always had a strong effect on the senior.

"Art, for me, is memorable," Cox said. "I love the fact that I can express myself through what I draw. I practically show what I'm passionate about through drawing."

Ever since Cox was a little boy, he's always enjoyed the feeling of running a pencil across paper, or creating something new. He had his friends and art teachers to look up to when he needed inspiration for his drawings.

"I can remember looking at other people's drawings, and wondering how they did it. But now, after years of practice, I finally know," Cox said.

Apparently, the hard work that the student puts into his artwork does not come with simple, immediate results. "The longest a drawing has taken for me to create is probably the football portrait I've just recently finished. It took me two weeks, and it was worth it," Cox said. He likes to incorporate his sports life into his artwork, as he's drawn plenty of football portraits.

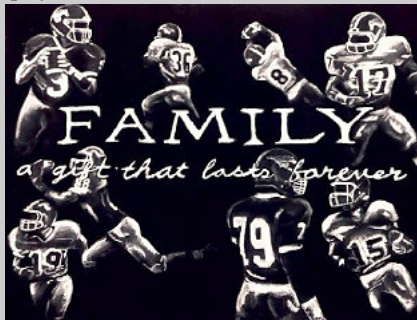
The inspiration to create these came from his loving teammates, or as he likes to call them, his family. "Whenever we'd end practice, or finish a game, instead of shouting 'Stangs' when we depart, we yell 'family' instead. I don't know where I'd be without the team I've come to love," Cox said.

Cox has many talents to show the world, and each of them has an influence that keeps him going. "I look up to my brother, Ryan, when it comes to sports. Music, my sister, for sure. Art? Definitely Mr. Sotillo. He has a great impact on the artwork that I create," Cox stated.

The senior plans to go to UNI for an education major, and later get an administrative degree after a few years of teaching.

Family First

Below: This piece by Bryce Cox was part of an auction to raise money and was paying homage to the family nature of all football players.



Self Portrait

Above: Bryce Cox with his football inspired portrait drawing, after winning the student choice award at WaMaC Art Contest.

Where do you get your inspiration?



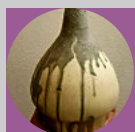
"The human body. It's so fluid and underappreciated"

Jenny Deininger '16



"I get my inspiration from The crazy items that are still being discovered around the art room."

Maggie Lynott '18



"I like the WOW looks they get when they see my work. Those reactions I strive for."

Journey Dawa '17



Seeing the World

The annual Milwaukee art trip takes students to see a new city and hear from other artists. Students are able to critique with other colleges from around the country at the Milwaukee Art Institute.



Through the Valley

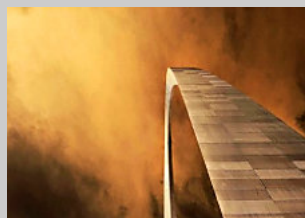
Art teacher Ely Sotillo leads the students on the Milwaukee art trip in October through alleys and streets experiencing a new city. Photo by Ethan Wenz



Powerful Pieces

Above: Senior Jenny Deininger posted this symbolic piece on social media display her style and making a strong statement.

Above Right: Junior Ethan Wenz took this piece to WaMaC and won first place in Photography. Right: Mr. Sotillo poses in a selfie with students before the day starts. Front Row: M. Scieszinski, A. Rand, B. Christensen, O. Egolf, A. Krob, E. Sotillo, Back Row: E. Wenz, B. Cox, K. Margheim.



Finishing Touches

Freshman Joseph Hunter sketches a photo during Art Class.



Sculpting Winners

Above: Junior Owen Egolf ponders in the planning stages of a new drawing. Above Left: Junior Addie Rand with her photo submitted into WaMaC Art Contest.

Left: Sophomore Clarissa Players works in her square at Chalk the Walk. Player wrote a political statement reading "Make America Kind Again."



WaMaC Results

Above: Junior Journey Dawa stands with one of two pieces submitted in the WaMaC art contest.

Above Left: Senior Mallory Scieszinski presents her photo after participating in WaMaC.

Left: Freshman Kate Margheim shows her two pieces. Kate is optimistic about years to come in competitions like WaMaC.