

Abundance

The painting entitled “Abundance” is an abstract representation of the life of Dr. ----- . The brown lines striking out from the lower center of the painting represent the far reaching affect Doc has on the world. He literally has thousands of connections; some chaotic, some simple and all looked upon with the best of intentions. The center left of the painting is an oversized heart representing the abundance of love and empathy Doc has for his family, friends, co-workers and acquaintances. But it is his family that is always the closest thing to his heart. To the right is “life” and “UT.” Life representing the good health Doc gives to and encourages many people to have so they may have an abundant existence. The UT represents The University of Tennessee and the great love Doc has for the school he attended and received his medical degree from. His passion for the University is second to none. One of the largest factors in John’s life is his friends, numerous by any person’s standard, and the value he places on his friends is greater than gold, and therefore, the word “friends,” written in gold, takes a center stage in this painting.

The painting is split in half by a wide cutting line to the center which indicates the personal life of Doc and the business side of his life and how often the two intersect. Just beneath the paint of this abstract, several words have been embedded into the foundation.

Guide:

Top center, the word VOLS.

Toward the right top side, the word DOC.

The bottom right, UT

Just below the heart are the initials J and S

The color orange is essential in this painting since John’s blood does run deep orange.

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