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Clinton artist accepted into Craftmen's Guild of Mississippi



Work of James Keary Jackson

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James Keary Jackson of Clinton was accepted into the Craftmen's Guild of Mississippi. Jackson has his Master of Fine Arts degree from Mississippi College. His art emphasis is stone carving.

He was born and raised in Monticello and attended Copiah-Lincoln Community College prior to his attending University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, where he earned his Bachelor of Fine Arts degree.

While studying art at the University of Arkansas, Jackson became friends with and worked under the renowned stone carver, Anita Huffington.

Foreign language was a requirement for graduation, so Jackson decided to study one summer at the Art Institute

of San Miguel, to not just learn Spanish, but experience the culture.

"I found works of David Sequaris, a Mexican muralist. His design plans were on the stone walls of the monastery where we students boarded. Today, when I see a blank stone I envision what it can become."

After graduation, Jackson went with friends to New Mexico, where he worked as a ranch hand on the Mes-calero Apache Reservation.

"My first exposure to the west, other than the Lone Ranger on TV, was as a child when my father, Sgt. Enos Jackson's, military experience led us to Phoenix. That was where I first encountered 'boulders,' and I have loved rocks ever since. For me, it was impossible to live surrounded by such

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