

## Feature: Visual Art

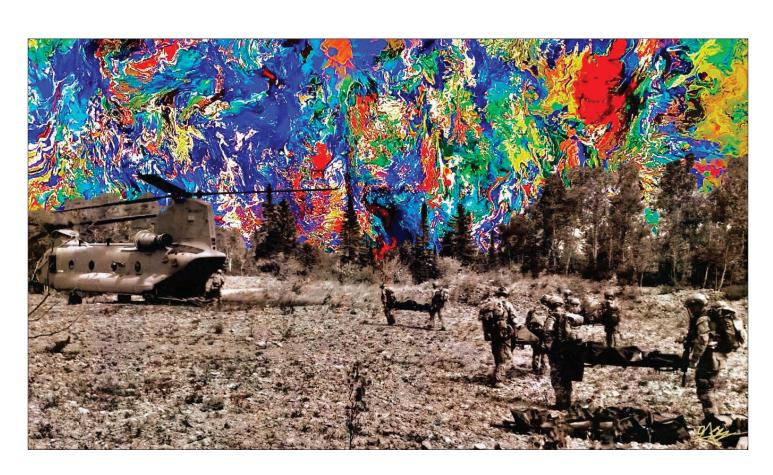
Griffin Elzey, MS3 blends photography with acrylic paint to create original artwork

"I've spent the last 15 years in the military, 12 of them as an Air Force Pararescueman (PJ). This career field, that I still currently serve in as a member of the Air National Guard, exposed me to so many incredible sights and experiences ranging from the unimaginably horrific to the unbelievably beautiful; both of which I was able to document through amateur photography on occasion. Somewhere along the way I also

started doing acrylic painting which I wasn't great at but enjoyed. In the last few years I found that the pleasure I get from combining the two art forms is greater than either individually, and the end products usually look better than the lone forms too. Not only do I find this to be an enjoyable way to decompress from the rigors of medical school, but I have been fortunate enough to have sold a few works and 100% of the proceeds have gone to the very worthy cause of the Pararescue Foundation which I will shamelessly plug here. Also, here are three recent works related to medicine."

## Hospital Sunset: Demolition of the St. Joe Hospital in Fort Wayne, IN

St. Joseph Hospital, or what remained. As a native born resident of Fort Wayne, IN this hospital was a staple of the downtown area and its newfound absence is even more eerie to me than this photo acrylic blend.



A Little Pick Me Up

Everyone needs a little pick me up on occasion. It is true. This is an acrylic splashed shot that I took of a team of Air Force Special Operations Medical (PJs) loading patients onto a CH47 Chinook helicopter during a training event in Michigan.

