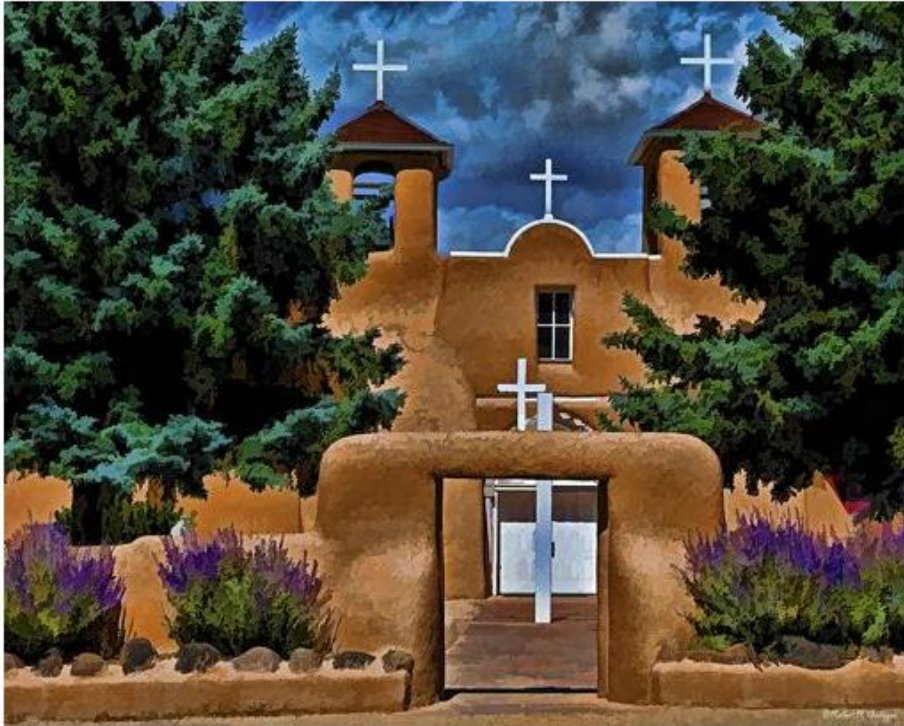


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Former US Marine Veteran is spotlight artist in Brighton Eye for Art Show



St Francis of Assisi Church photograph by Robert R. Gallegos Photo by Photographer Robert R. Gallegos

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Brightons Eye for Art Program spotlights Brighton artist Robert Gallegos in the Celebrating Mother eARTH 2013 art show. A former United States Marine Corp Veteran, and retired U.S. Postal Service employee, Gallegos has found an inner peace in the creative arts.

Gallegos grew up in the Denver metro area and graduated from Manual High School before enlisting in the United States Marine Corp. He was soon deployed to Vietnam. After six years of service, he returned to Denver and married his wife, Dorothy, and raised two sons. A devoted family man, Gallegos enjoys spending time with his family which now includes four grandchildren.

Gallegos began to display symptoms of post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) from his experiences in combat and he sought a means of dealing with the symptoms. He found that drawing, painting and photography in particular helped him ease his symptoms. The creative arts brought forth a new found direction through awareness of his surroundings especially when looking through the lens of a camera.

Gallegos currently participates at the Denver Veteran Center for Combat Veterans, Creative Art group. This group has provided new opportunities to share methods including HDR photographic enhancement and framing, both on gallery wrapped canvas, prints and the use of duraplaq wood mount for photography. He encourages those struggling with PTSD to become involved in the creative arts as a means to refocus and redirect their thoughts into creative endeavors. He also currently provides a course on computer building at the Veterans Center, located at 1st Avenue and Quebec Street in Denver.

Gallegos photography is vibrantly vivid. His photographs flow with the dynamic colors and architecture of the Southwest and the Spanish culture that created the Indian Pueblos and the Missions of New Mexico as well as the local beauty of rural Colorado. Dont miss your opportunity to see Gallegos exquisite photography now on display in the Eye for Art Celebrating Mother eARTH 2013 art show. This show is currently underway at Brighton City Hall and runs through June 21.

The City of Brighton proudly supports and promotes art and culture within the City. Artwork currently on display is available for purchase. To learn more about the Eye for Art Program or take part in future displays please call Laurie Lozano-Maier, program coordinator, at 303-655-2034. Artwork may include, but not be limited to, paintings, drawings, photography, and sculpture of various media.

To view a video sample of the current artwork being displayed and for sale at City Hall, visit: