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To many, Terry Hester is known as a furniture businessman. To others, Terry is known as "Coach". To many, he is known as Mr. Hester, the art teacher. But few realize the level of accomplished artist and the heart of which he shares his talent with others.

Pursuing his passion, Terry became very involved in his own pottery business during his younger years. He established his own shop and was able to provide people in the Hot Springs, Arkansas area a place to fire their clay. He also taught pottery classes through his business.

A move back to Southeast Missouri, raising a fantastic family, and a change in his career from businessman to educator, Terry has never allowed his desire to create art slip away.

In the classroom, Terry shares his love of art with middle school students in the Dexter Public Schools. He also can be found offering his talent to local causes, such as the Charles "Seed" Bland Award. Alan Gibson created the original masterpiece, but Terry was willing to step in and re-create the additional trophies in order to continue that tradition for local athletes.

Most recently, Terry has begun to honor great sports images/Blog Images/show/ukit athletes. Not everyone makes the cut to become a work of art by Terry Hester. Terry's focus has been on athletes that not only are good examples in the community, but have a strong faith that they share with their fans.

Terry was very young when he discovered his love for art. He soon found that his gift

was something special that he could share with others.

Currently, the Hester's Gallery is filled with great names such as Albert Pujols, Kurt Warner, Isaac Bruce and Lou Brock. Terry also has a category of religious and inspired art, as well as an incredible collection of "Pen & Ink" renderings.

In celebration of the Cardinals headed to the World Series in 2011, Terry has created a copy of a lithograph of the "*The Perfect Swing*", a beautiful depiction of Albert Pujols in full stride.

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