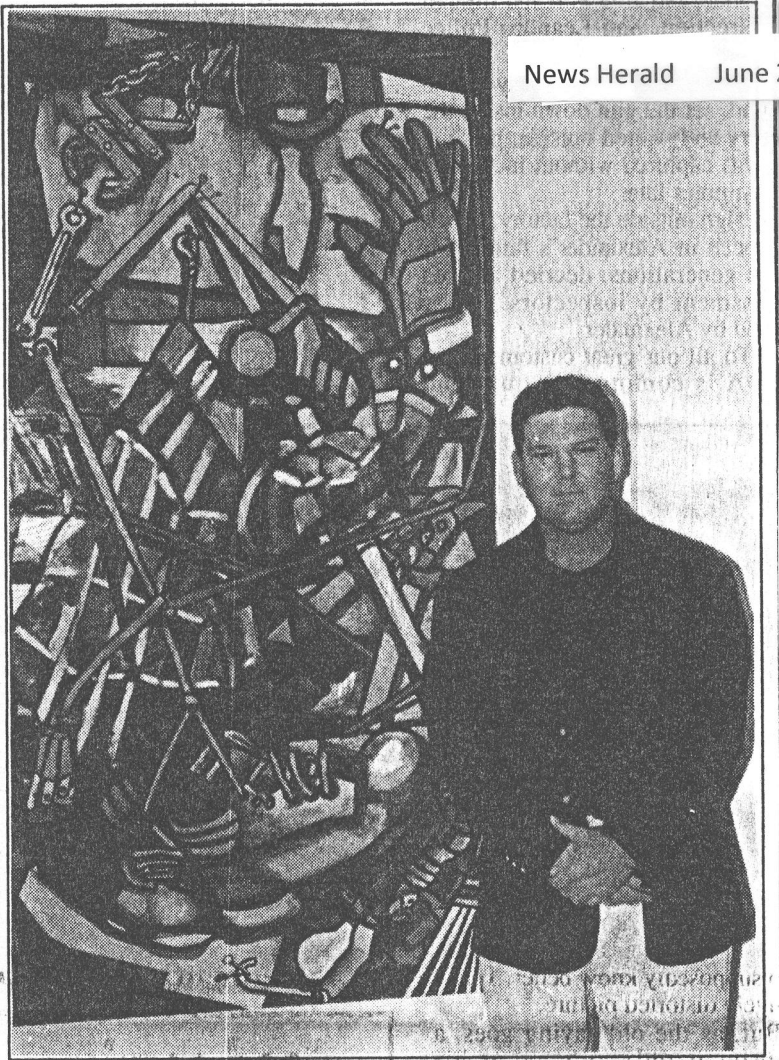




Poteat's artwork awarded

Mark Poteat of Morganton, an art instructor at Western Piedmont Community College, stands by his piece called, "Raft No. 8," a winner in the First Tennessee Bank Art Show 2000. Poteat won \$900 and will stage a one-man exhibit at the Johnson City Area Arts Council's gallery next spring. It was his third win in four years at the art show. A graduate of Freedom High School, East Carolina University and East Tennessee State University, Poteat is married to Tiffany James and is the son of Johnnie and Faye Poteat of Glen Alpine.