



NATIONAL VETERANS CREATIVE ARTS FESTIVAL

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Muriel Barbour Memorial Therapeutic Arts Scholarship Recipient Visual Arts

Brandon Weatherford
Representing: VA Medical Center
Amarillo, Texas

Spreading his joy and love of painting, Brandon Weatherford presented a group of Marines with whom he worked a special painting.

Weatherford was supposed to attend the 2009 National Veterans Creative Arts Festival but duty called. He was recalled from the Reserves to active duty at Camp Pendleton shortly before the 2009 Festival in San Antonio. This year, he is attending the event as a Muriel Barbour Memorial Therapeutic Arts recipient.

While at Camp Pendleton, Weatherford was responsible for training Marines in the use of firearms. He presented those he worked with in the 3rd Battalion with that special painting in a special ceremony that was held in his honor. In addition, Weatherford painted a full-wall mural that is displayed in the Administration office at Camp Pendleton.

A full-time student now, Weatherford is majoring in psychology. He plans to use his love of art and his own military experience to help other soldiers as they return from deployment.