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RED LIGHT NIGHT: "The Art of Saving Lives"

CAPE GIRARDEAU, MO-- Thursday, April 7th, at 7:00 p.m., the Arts Council of Southeast Missouri will host their third *Red Light Night* of this season with the topic "The Art of Saving Lives" featuring Malcolm McCrae, known as the Airbrush Assassin.

Malcolm McCrae is an artist, author, speaker and educator who focuses his efforts on serving youth that are categorized as 'At-Risk'. He has been a leader as an airbrush artist for over 15 years, producing a number of instructional videos and books. As a self-taught artist Malcolm remembers how difficult it was for him as a creative kid growing up being labeled with ADHD. His memoir *To Live, To Create to Inspire: "How art saved my life"* depicts his journey from sleeping in an abandoned building as a teen in the unforgiving Ohio winters, to his rise as a successful artist, instructor and motivational speaker.

During his presentation, Malcolm will touch on his upbringing and how his experiences growing up in Milwaukee have shaped him to be able to reach today's youth. He will also provide insight into how to best reach those categorized as 'At-Risk' and how important the arts are as a tool to inspire them.

Red Light Night is a series of after-hours discussions on controversial and taboo topics within the arts. *Red Light Nights* will be presented by guest lecturers and panelists at the Arts Council of Southeast Missouri in Downtown Cape Girardeau on select Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. Please note, topics and discussion are intended for a mature audience.

Join other arts supporters in controversial discussions during *Red Light Nights*. The Arts Council of Southeast Missouri is located at 32 North Main Street in Cape Girardeau, MO. Galleries are open Tuesday- Saturday, from 10am to 4pm.