

This book is a compilation of the pages from a web site constructed to document the artwork of Robert M. Baldwin. In an attempt to assure that the data contained on the site is never lost to the public, it has been reassembled here in both printed and digital formats to assure that it is distributed in as far reaching a manner as possible. It contains the most thorough display of his paintings and other art in existence along with appraised values. It is hoped that the reader will appreciate Robert Baldwin's work as much as did his family.

R. Mark Baldwin, Jr. - December 2021

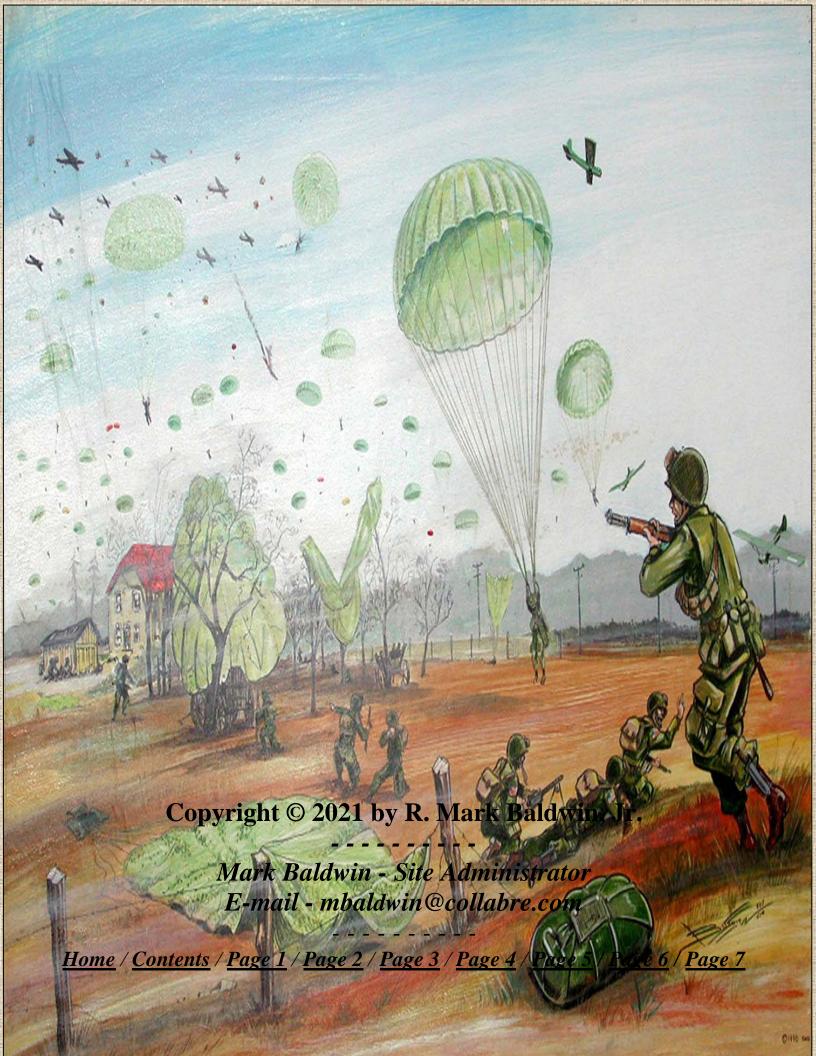
Robert Mark Baldwin, Sr. was born on March 3, 1925 in Ridgway, Pennsylvania. His life experiences included: growing up in rural & mountainous western Pennsylvania; serving as a paratrooper in the 82nd Airborne Division in World War II during the invasion of Germany; moving to central New Jersey and starting his own commercial art & advertising business; settling down in South Plainfield, New Jersey where he raised his family and served as mayor for six years; and finally retiring to Saylorsburg, Pennsylvania where he pursued his final life's business of designant military memorabilia, plaques and monuments. He died I ecenybe 28, 2003 in Saylorsburg, leaving behind him a vast legacy of paintings, sculptures and creative works.

The purpose of this web site is to present those creative works so that the world may know of them and of the man who created them. The site is broken down into pages which describe various genre of his art and the collections which have been donated to worthy causes. This is not a commercial site selling the works of Robert Baldwin. Pieces which are displayed on the various pages of this website may, however, be offered for sale in either original or print form from the private collections of family members if contacted

individually. Inquiries should be directed to the e-mail address at the bottom of the page. All works have been distributed outside of the Robert M. Baldwin Estate and none are held by it. All pieces have, however, been conservatively identified with their accepted values as they were in 2003 at the death of Robert Baldwin and appropriate documentation has been collected as justification for those values. All donated collections are also appropriately valued at the time they were assembled. The original military art collection was donated to the Ft. Bragg Airborne Museum in Fayetteville, North Carolina on March 26, 2005. Copyrighted digital rights to the art were reserved by the members of the Robert M. Baldwin Estate, however, for their personal benefit and enjoyment*. In this connection a reprint of the collection was made on March 23, 2015 and donated to Veteran's Haven North - "The Rally Point" of Glen Gardner, New Jersey for the benefit of the veterans using that facility. The value of that collection was determined by the cost of recreating it at that time. Likewise, if any future donations are made, they shall be valued in the same way.

Please enjoy viewing the art of Robert M. Baldwin which you will see on these pages. A complete history of Robert Baldwin may be found on the web site of Ancestry.com by viewing the BakerBaldwin family tree by mbaldwin148. Search for "Robert Mark Baldwin - born March 3, 1925 in Ridgway, Pennsylvania" and look for "Public Family Trees." You may view either the BaldwinHolt-BaldwinHolt-Baldwin family-tree or the BaldwinHolt-Baldwin family-tree or the BaldwinHolt-BaldwinHolt tree was discontinued in December of 2013.

^{*} Members of the Robert M. Baldwin Estate are: Robert Mark Baldwin, Jr., Carl James Baldwin, Jeanne Loretta (Baldwin) Williams and Eric Holt Baldwin.



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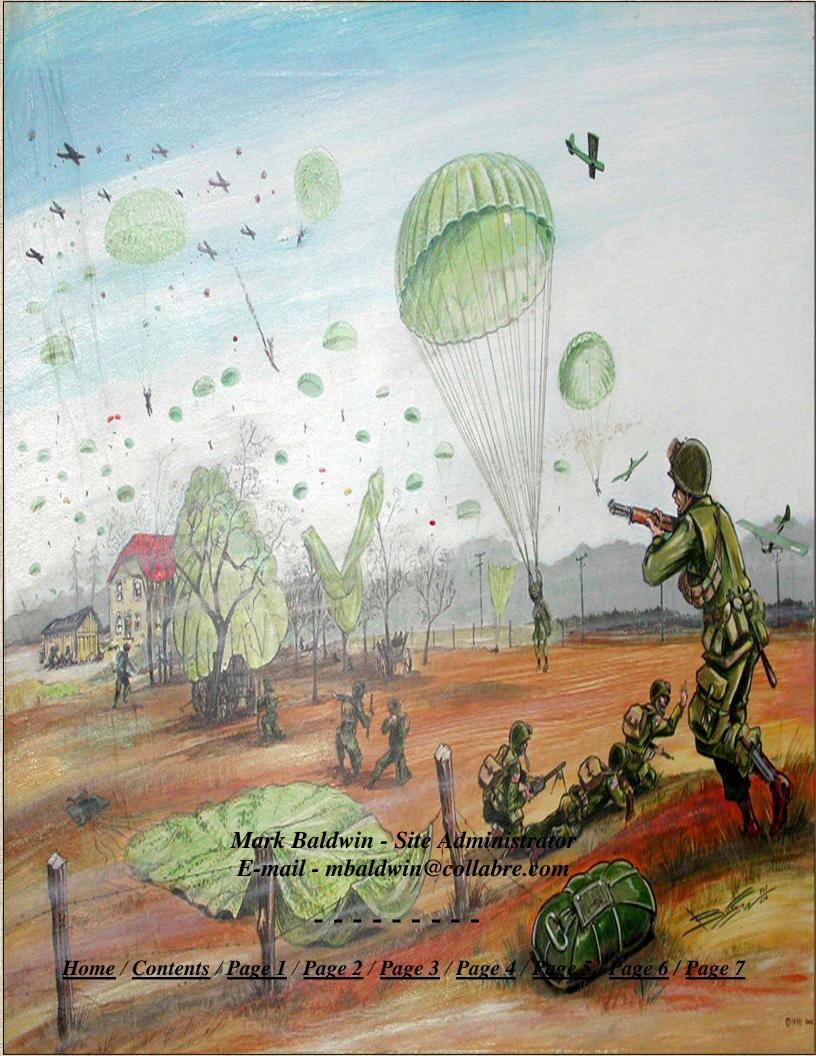
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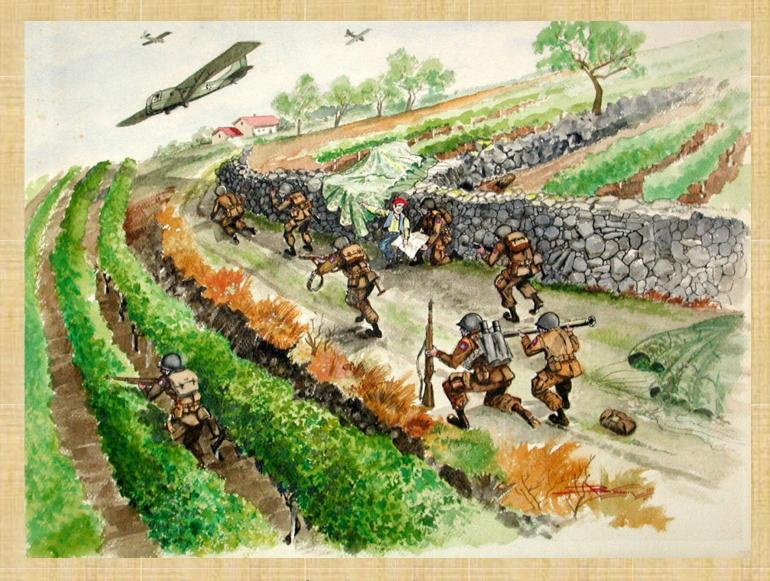
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MILITARY ART

A brief history of Robert Baldwin may be found by following this link: ROBERT M BALDWIN HISTORY.

Robert served from February 1943 through the end of World War II when he was discharged on January 16, 1946. He was sent to Europe in January of 1945 and saw action in the Rhine Jump - Operation Varsity as part of the larger Operation Plunder at which time the allied armies crossed the Rhine River and entered into Germany on March 24, 1945. He was a member of the first army of occupation in Berlin at the war's end. Although he was an active pictorial recorder of his environment no matter where he was, it was during this period in Germany that he sketched many of the military pictures which are displayed here. He converted them to watercolor art when he returned to the United States. Others were created from his memories of the times and are appropriately dated. These pictures and descriptions are valuable, first-hand views, recollections and commentaries on the war action by a common soldier. Values quoted are estimates of the value of the originals at the time of the artist's death in 2003 and are based on the content of the pictures, their collectability and of the reputation of the artist. Some pictures have been purchased and their values are noted. The value of subsequent reprints of donated works have been based on the actual reproduction cost of the collections.

The Robert M. Baldwin Collection



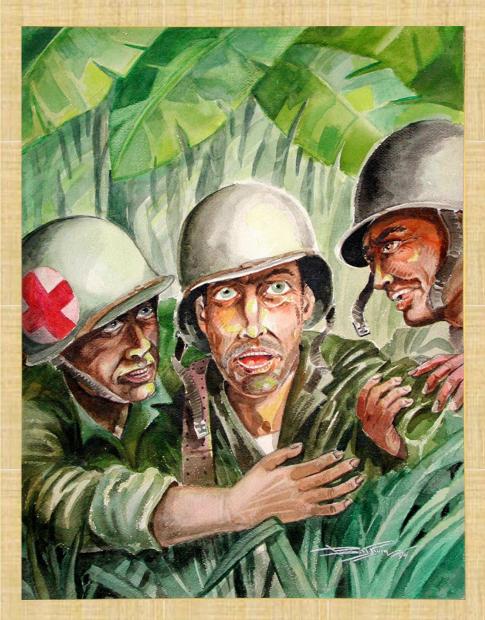
"The Hunter is Starving"
Operation Dragoon - 1944 - Southern France
509 Parachute Infantry Combat Team - The artist's vision - circa 1993
(Value - \$1,000.00 - original size - 22.25"x17.25")



"Look For the Red Roof"
Operation Varsity - over the Rhine
March 24 - 10+ O'clock - "DZ W" - 1990
(Value - \$1,500.00 - original size - 24"x16.5")



"NAM" - 1968 Artist's vision - 1993. (Value - \$1,000.00 - original size - 21.375"x14.25")

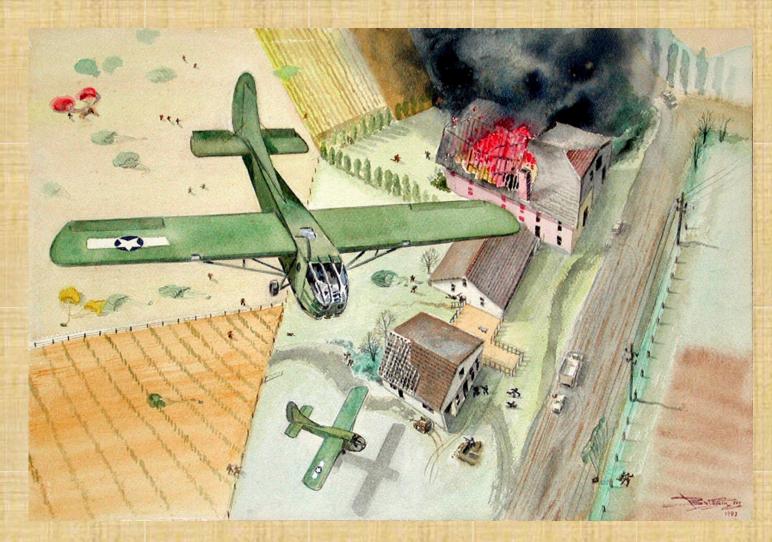


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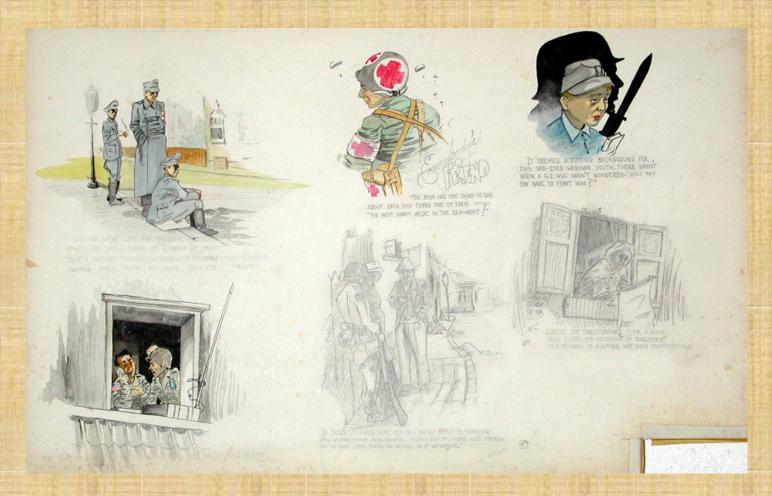
Marines, South Pacific WWII.

Artist's vision - 1994.

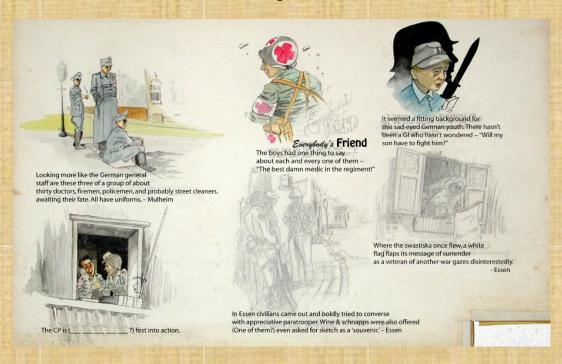
(Value - \$1,000.00 - original size - 17.375"x22.75")



"Incoming CG4A Gliders"
Wesel 1945 - Artist's vision - 1993.
(Value - \$1,000.00 - original size - 21.25"x14.0")



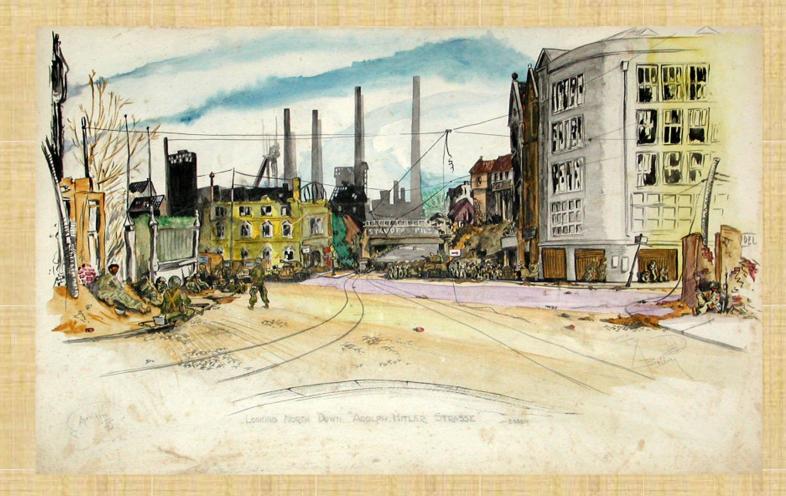
"Street Sketches" with captions
Berlin - 1945 - original sketches
(Value - \$2,000.00 - original size - 21.75"x14.0")



"Street Sketches" with readable captions

Berlin – 1945 - original sketches - attachment to original in plastic holder

(Value - \$30.00 - original size - 5"x7")



"Looking North Down Adolph Hitler Strasse" Essen - April 11, 1945 - original sketch (Value - \$1,500.00 - original size - 22.0"x14.0")

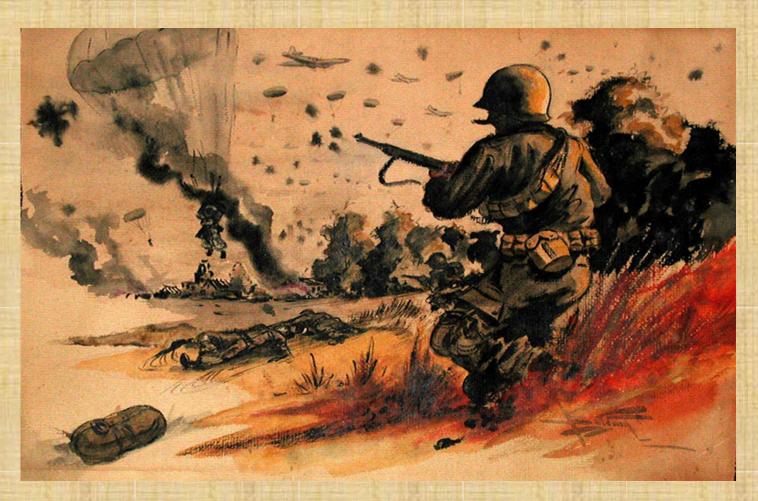


"The Drop Zone"

March 24, 1945 - 10:08 O'Clock

N.W. of Wesel, Germany - sketch from memory 1993

(Value - \$1,500.00 - original size - 23.0"x12.625")



"Combat - Over the Dead"

The Drop Zone - Land of the Quick or the Dead - Artist's vision - circa 1993
(Value - \$1,000.00 - original size - 13.0"x9.75")



"Mute and smoldering reminders that bordered our path through Essen." Inscription on front of painting. Original sketch - 1945 (Value - \$1,500.00 - original size - 9.75"x6.125")



BY MIGHT THE SKIES WERE ABLAZE WITH WIERD COLORS AND SHADOWS AS FARM HOUSES AND TOWNS BLAZED FURIOUSLY. IN THESE PLACES SOME FAMATICS CHOSE TO FIGHT IT OUT REGADLESS OF COST

"Blazing Skies"

"By night the skies were ablaze with weird colors and shadows as farm houses and towns blazed furiously. In these places some fanatics chose to fight it out regardless of cost."

Original sketch - 1945.

(Value - \$1,500.00 - original size - 11.75"x4.875")



"General Anthony C. "Nuts" McAuliffe
Commander of the 101st troops at Bastogne, Belgium
who delivered the famous reply of "Nuts" when asked by the
Germans to surrender. Robert Baldwin created the artwork for this award.
(Value - \$800.00 - original size - 8"x10")



"Hitler"

The artist's vision - circa 1993
(Value - \$500.00 - original size - 7"x9")



"Field Marshal Karl Rudolf Gerg von Rundstedt" Field Marshal in command of the German forces at the end of the war.

(Value - \$800.00 - original size - 7.5"x9.5")



"Ceiling Murals"

Caricatures drawn by Robert Baldwin on the ceiling of his family's attic ceiling in 1944 before combat. Captured on film and reproduced digital (Value - \$1,500.00 - original size - 16.5"x10.5")



"First In"
The guy who gets there first and is the target. Artist's vision circa 1993.
(Value - \$1,000.00 - original size - 9.75"x7.75")



"Big and Little Steves" (photo) (Value - \$20.00 - original size - 7.5"x9")



A Mother's Day 1945 present to his mother in caricature style from Robert M. Baldwin (Value - \$800.00 – original size – 8.0"x7.5")



"Getting Off A 'Hot D.Z.'"
Wesel 1945 - sketch from 1996 - Artist's vision.
(Value - \$850.00 - Sold on *ebay* in March of 2018 - original size - 8"x8.5")





"Original Members of the Parachute Test Platoon"

"Monument Dedication October 10, 1983"

Organized: 5 July 1940

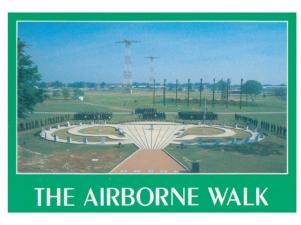
Assembled from existing pictures in Baldwin collection.

(Value - \$400.00 - original size - 13"x8")









"The Airborne Walk" - Ft. Benning, Georgia
Memorial collage dedicated to Robert Baldwin as the designer of the park.
Pictures are of the original model created by Robert Baldwin.

The park was dedicated April 17, 1986. The whereabouts of the original model is unknown. (Value - \$500.00 - original size - 13"x8")



























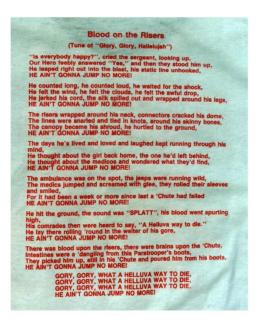




"Airborne Unit Patch Collection" - Old & New Collage from the collection of Robert Baldwin (Value - \$200.00 - original size - 13"x8")











"Collage of Airborne Bravado"

From the collection of Robert Baldwin - cartoons are his original art.

(Value - \$400.00 - original size - 13"x8")





"Airborne Cartoon Humor"

Cartoons by Robert Baldwin - 1974 & 1980
(Value - \$500.00 - original size - 13"x8")

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This is not a commercial website. Individual family members who have displayed their collections here may, however, be approached concerning sales of certain of their pieces by interested parties.



Baldwin Originals was a company created by Robert Baldwin in the 1960s as a division of his commercial art and advertising company, The Robert M. Baldwin Company. Its purpose was to produce a supplemental income from the development and reproduction of his sculpted art and it included wall hangings and decorative pieces for the home as well as military memorabilia. He produced much of his own work in a plaster-like gypsum cement molding substance known as Hydro-Stone which was poured into castings he made himself. He was a master mold maker. He also worked with molten 'white metal' which he smelted in his workshop to make belt buckles, pins and other pieces of art in this metal which had the appearance of silver. He also worked in conjunction with, and was a part owner in, the Davos Company of Middlesex, New Jersey, which reproduced his wall-hanging work in foam plastic which replicated a wood finish.

The Davos Company was sold in the 1970s and ceased to exist, but *Baldwin Originals* continued until Robert's death in December of 2003. He and his wife, Caroline, traveled extensively to military events and reunions around the country during the 1970s and 1980s until her death in July of 1989. The company's collection of military insignia and other memorabilia, which he sold at these events, was extensive. When supplemented by the sale of his battlefield art, which is presented on other pages of this web site, it led to his being revered as a prominent figure in this realm of World War II memorial events. He was called upon to design a number of dedicatory plaques, monuments and even memorial parks, some of which are presented elsewhere on this web site.

Certainly his work with *Baldwin Originals* did little more than provide him with an income in his retirement years. The nature of this work was for home display and general personal appreciation. Still, all of the work displayed the humor, creativity and sense of history of the artist. Below are some, but not nearly all, of the work he produced during this period of his life from the mid-1960s through 2003 along with their sale prices at the time. Other items shall be added to the collection should they be rediscovered.

All of these items may be for sale by their present owners should you have an interest in purchasing them.

The Baldwin Eagle and Owl





These pieces were produced in both Hydro-Stone as well as foam plastic and presented in a variety of finishes. The originals were sculpted in clay and castings were made from them. The Owl here was painted and the Eagle was in antiqued gold paint. Both were mounted on wood. They sold commercially in the range of \$50.00 to \$100.00 apiece. In 2015 they were valued at \$200.00 each. If the pieces are signed, the value could increase by at least \$100.00.

Animal Planters and Candle Holders











These pieces were produced exclusively in Hydro-Stone from castings made from originals which were sculpted in clay.

They were hand-painted and sold for \$25.00 each.

The Baldwin Dragon





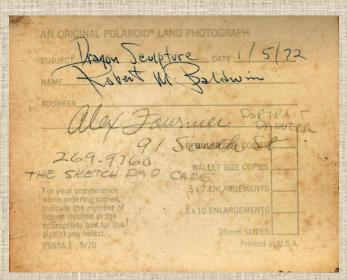


The *Baldwin Dragon* was originally sculpted by Robert Baldwin in 1972 and is arguably his most sophisticated sculpted piece. At 22'' long and 6'' high, it is a fully operational incense burner. As you can see from the picture above, once the incense cone is lighted, placed on the removable tongue and inserted into the dragon's mouth, the smoke swirls out of the dragon's mouth. The original was sculpted in clay and a casting was made from it. The dragon was only produced in Hydro-Stone. It was considered by Robert Baldwin to have it cast in bronze, but the project never reached that stage. They were finished in paint as well as gold leaf. The one in the picture above is gold leaf. In 2015 there were known to be at least five dragons in existence which were held by family members. They were owned by Mark Baldwin, Jeanne (Baldwin) Williams, Carl and Eric Baldwin.

There were, however, more produced and sold by the Hammacher Schlemmer Company, but there is no record of how many. It would have been a small number, however. The *Baldwin Dragon* was valued for sale at \$800.00 in 1992. Its value in 2015 was placed at \$1,500.00.

The original clay sculpture was made in 1972 as attested to by this photograph and the inscription on the back. The gold leaf sculpture above was created in 1992 as attested to by the copyright inscription and the artist's signature on the tail just behind the back legs.







Fantasy Frogs - Limited Edition







Hand-cast, hand-painted and autographed by Robert Baldwin - 1997. Inscriptions would indicate that at least 20 pieces were cast. These four pieces were in the possession of Mark Baldwin in 2015 (#s 3, 7, 18 & 20). Two others at least were in the possession of Jeanne (Baldwin) Williams, including #s 1 & 2. Valued at \$30 each in 2003. Signed pieces were valued at \$50.00 in 2015.

The Civil War Soldier Set



The *Civil War Soldier* set was sold both as a three-piece set as well as individually. The originals were sculpted in clay and castings were made from the original. It was then produced in Hydro-Stone and mounted both on wood (as seen above) or as a single unit with Hydro-Stone, wood-textured background. The pieces sold at \$50.00 individually and \$125.00 for the set. Originals in 2015 were valued at \$200.00 individually and \$800.00 for the set. If pieces are signed, the value would increase by \$100.00 per piece.







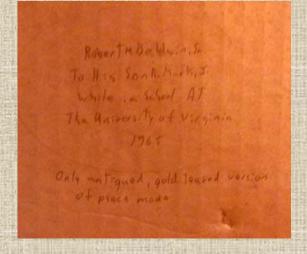


These two pieces were in the possession of Mark Baldwin in 2015. The drummer is signed, made of Hydro-Stone and mounted on a wooden plaque. It is painted gold, antiqued and signed by the artist on

the back, dated 1982. It was valued at \$300.00 in 2015. The union soldier and background are one-piece Hydro-Stone and were polished with, of all things, shoe polish! Though it is unsigned, it is an original creation of Robert Baldwin as were all *Baldwin Originals*. There is a notation to this effect on the back of the piece. The original signature was on the back of a wooden frame that got destroyed. It is valued at \$200.00 in 2015 without the signature and has been reframed.







This Union soldier was created in 1965 by Robert Baldwin and given to his son Mark as a gift to him while at school at the University of Virginia: "To brighten up your dreary dorm room!" It is said to have been the only gold leafed and antiqued version of the soldier that was created. Though unsigned, there is an inscription on the reverse.

It is valued at \$500.00.

The Davis/Lincoln Presidential Set



The Jefferson Davis / Abraham Lincoln Civil War Presidential set was created in Hydro-Stone from an original copper rubbing made by Robert Baldwin. A casting was made of the original and then poured in Hydro-Stone. The copper color was painted on. The set was valued at \$50 for the set and \$30 individually.

Airborne Assault Copper Rubbing



Airborne Assault picture cast in Hydro-Stone from casting made from original copper rubbing by Robert Baldwin. The piece was sold for \$100 framed.

Mother & Child



Mother & Child, originally molded in clay and then cast in Hydro-Stone. Mounted on various backgrounds.

The piece was sold for \$50.00.

DAVOS Creations

Commercial Adaptations of his designs with the Davos Company of Middlesex, New Jersey - 1970-1990

Peace and Love



Foam plastic reproductions from molds made from original pieces by Robert Baldwin. Pieces sold for \$25 individually.







Adaptations of original art by Robert Baldwin reproduced in foam plastic as backgrounds for weather recording instruments. Pieces sold individually, depending on the equipment mounted within them, for between \$50 to \$80.

University and Organization Plaques







University of Virginia wall plaque - made in 1968 for son, Mark Baldwin. Only one other plaque was ever known to have been made. It was sold to Mr. Joseph Segal, a college roommate of Mark Baldwin and is the unpainted shown above. Each has the same backer.

A Marine plaque was also created. Created from a clay sculpture and molded in foam plastic to simulate wood.

These plaques were sold at \$50 each in 1969. This unique piece is now valued at \$500.

Commemorative Belt Buckles

These belt buckles were produced by Robert Baldwin between 1970 and 2003 to honor special commemorative events for organizations and/or military groups. All designs are unique to the event and were originally sculpted in clay from which a rubber mold was made which could accept the white metal (similar to pewter) which Robert used to replicate his pieces. He personally melted the metal with his own smelter, poured each buckle, had it plated and finished it off by painting or antiquing. They were sold for prices varying from \$15 for individual stock pieces to \$25 to \$50 for special designs which were commissioned by his clients. The higher prices were determined by design, event importance and quantity considerations. What you see here are just a few samples of his pieces. Some of the earlier pieces were created in partnership with the Davos Company of Middlesex, New Jersey with which Robert was associated. Others were produced solely by him. All designs contain the Baldwin Originals logo. There are many other pieces which were produced and if anyone has pictures of them which they would like to display on this site, those pictures will be gratefully accepted.

It should be noted that after Robert Baldwin's death in 2003 some of his unfinished work was sold by family members. These would have been unfinished pewter (white metal) or plating rejects. Though not as valuable as the finished, plated pieces, they were still, nonetheless, originally poured by Robert Baldwin. Unless otherwise indicated, all buckles pictured below are in the possession of members of the Baldwin family.

All of these items may be for sale by their present owners should you have an interest in purchasing them.

Limited Edition Buckles





40th Anniversary of the New Jersey Vehicle Inspection Department of the Division of Motor Vehicles, Local 518 - 1937-1977. The picture above was provided by Ms. Debby Campbell of a buckle originally purchased by her brother-in-law, Charles Campbell, a member of Local 518. The buckle is currently in the possession of Mark Baldwin.





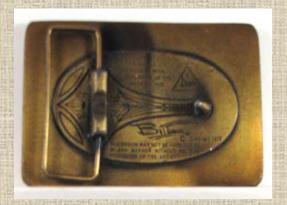
New Jersey Inspection Department of the division of Motor Vehicles, Local 518 - 1937-1977





Delta Queen Riverboat





Dragon Buckle - only one in existence









Willie Nelson - Only three finished pieces were made: two in brass and one in chrome as pictured. The owner of the original prototype which was proposed to Willie Nelson is unknown, though it was sold on eBay on February 11, 2012. The chrome and the second brass pieces are owned by Baldwin family members.









Willie Nelson - There are also known to be three partially finished pieces in circulation: one with partial brass plate (apparently a prototype for the original sent to Willie Nelson) and two in pewter. The owner of the brass prototype is Ms. Danielle Purnell of Milton, Florida. The owner of one of the pewter buckles is Corey Moseley of Celebration, Florida. The owner of the other pewter piece is unknown, though it was sold in February of 2018 on eBay. The last known sale price of this buckle was \$75.00.





Bennington Flag





The Silent Service - for the Trident submarine





82nd Airborne - Picture provided by Richard Hampson in Connecticut.





Quakertown, New Jersey Fire Company





Clinton, New Jersey Fire Department





Park Place Casino Hotel, Atlantic City, New Jersey





Army Airborne

Novelty Designs





NO! - different materials and finishes













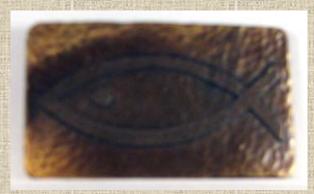
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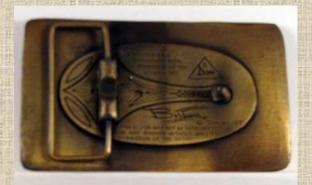












Christian





Police generic honoring St. Michael - Guardian Patron of Police.
Picture donated by Pam Hammons.





United States Marines. Picture donated by Tracy Walenciej.





United States Special Forces. Picture donated by Prenston Sr. Gale.





Black River & Western Railroad / Jersey Central Railroad





Erie-Lackawanna Railroad / Lehigh Valley Railroad





Mississippi Queen / Pennsylvania Railroad

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Acrylic Water Painting Technique

Robert Baldwin was an experimenter. He was always trying new things and new ways of doing art. One of those tests was an 'acrylic water painting technique' whereby he would position a pan filled with water on the floor and put in drops of acrylic paint. Then the paint could be swirled or marbled with a brush or a comb. The result was a myriad of colors and patterns floating on the surface of the water. When he had created the pattern he wanted (or liked!), he would take a piece of glossy art paper and place it on the water's surface thereby transferring the paint to the paper. He would then remove the paper, review the pattern, and if he liked it, he would hang it to dry.

After the paint and paper had dried, he would place the paper on his art table and look at it to see if it reminded him of anything. It was kind of like an artist's Rorschach Test! When he got a thought he would proceed to draw, with pen and ink, on the paper, using the colored pattern as part of the picture. The final result was a picture which, because of his particular talent with line-drawing, looked very sophisticated and attractive. He only made a limited number, but he was so pleased with the results that he had them hung in his living room as the major art decoration. Here are two that we have collected of the number that have been created. Valuing them is something of a challenge because of the uniqueness of the technique, but we have tried. You can read our assessment logic on page six of this site. All paintings are, of course, originals and are currently in the possession of family members.

It is hoped that over time pictures of these other works will surface in order that they may be displayed and assessed. They are considered to be quite unique and valuable.

- The Collection of Mark Baldwin -



'Fantasy - 1967'
Acrylic on water
Valued at \$800.00 in 2015
Actual picture size - 7"x 11.25"



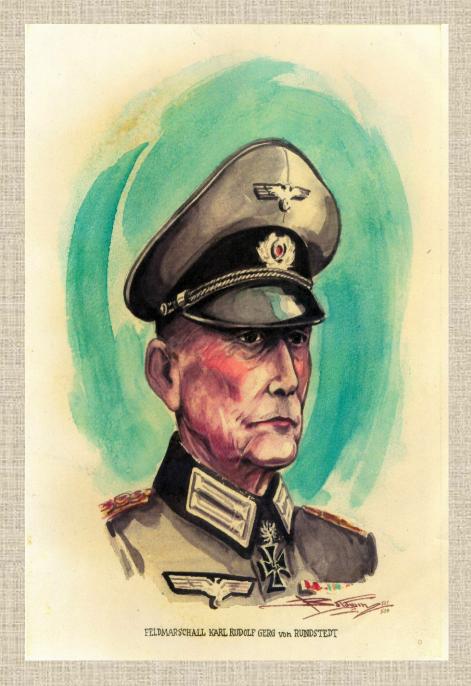
'The Ovum - 1967'
Acrylic on water
Valued at \$700.00 in 2003
Actual picture size - 8"x7"



'Off A Hot DZ - Wesel 1945'
Watercolor and pastel - painted in 1996
Sold on eBay in March of 2018 for
\$850.00 Actual picture size - 8"x8.5"



A Mother's Day 1945 present to his mother in caricature style from Robert M. Baldwin. Pen & ink and watercolor. Value - \$800.00 – original size – 8.0"x10.0"



'Field Marshall Karl Rudolf Gerg von Rundstedt'
Field Marshal in command of the German forces at the end of the war.

Watercolor - circa 1970.

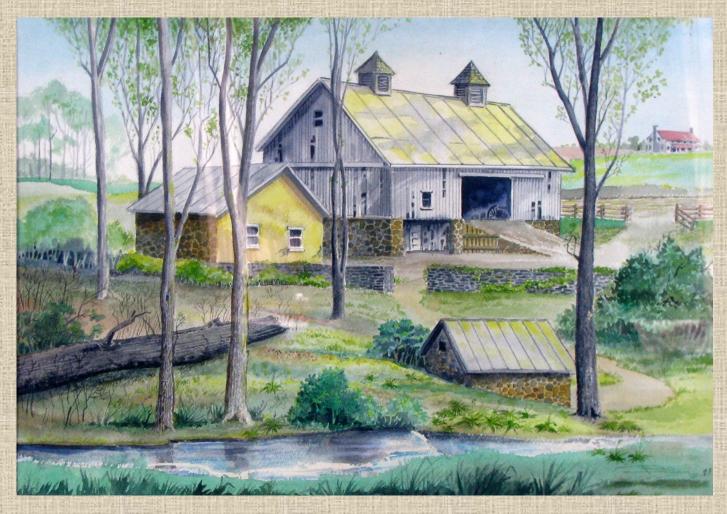
Valued at \$800.00 in 2015.

Actual picture size - 7.5"x9.5"

Traditional Scenes

- The Collection of Jeanne (Baldwin) Williams -

As with his military drawings, Robert Baldwin's favorite medium was black & colored pencil, ink, and watercolor. These are a few of his paintings done during the period of 1993-1997 as watercolors with the exception of the pictures and line drawing of daughter, Jeanne, in 'The Jeanne Trilogy.' All originals are in the possession of family members. This particular collection is held by Jeanne (Baldwin) Williams. Values of the pieces are according to the Fair Market Valuation on page six.



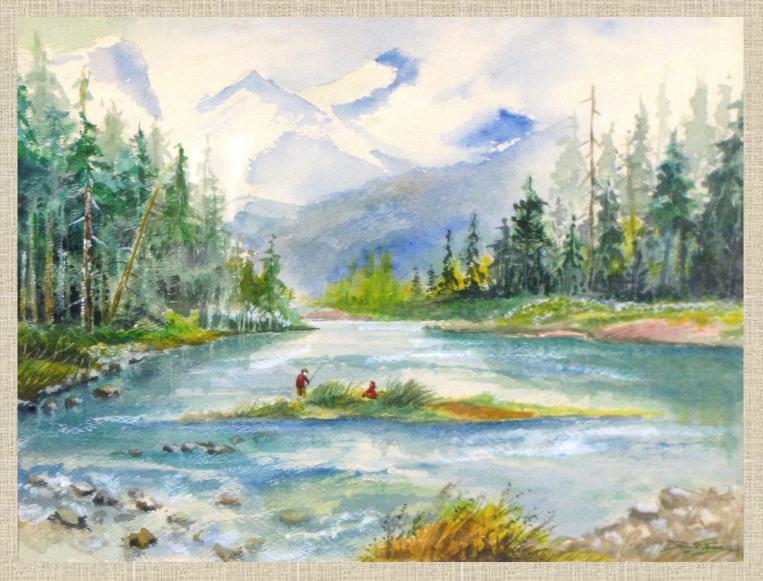
A Vanishing Scene - 1993 Valued at \$1,000.00 in 2015 Actual size - 21"x15"



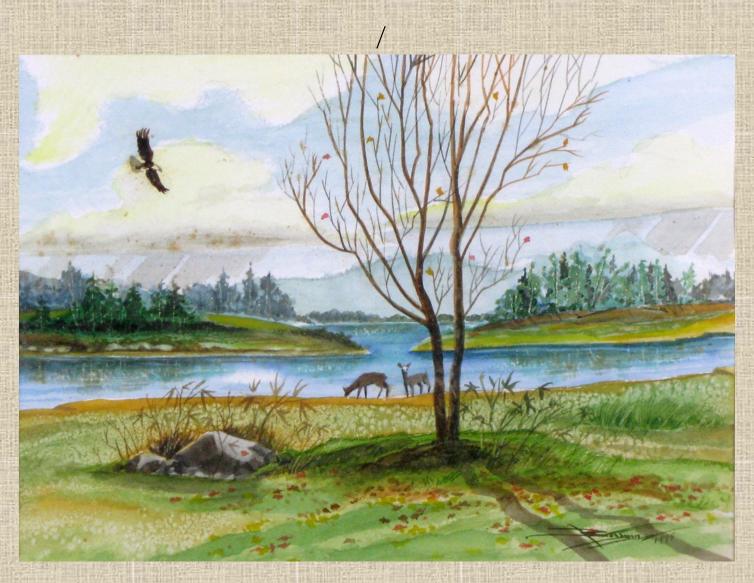
Pennsylvania Farm Road - 1993 Valued at \$700.00 in 2015 Actual size - 14"x10"



A Carton of Kittens - 1994 Valued at \$200.00 in 2015 Actual size - 12.75"x10.25"



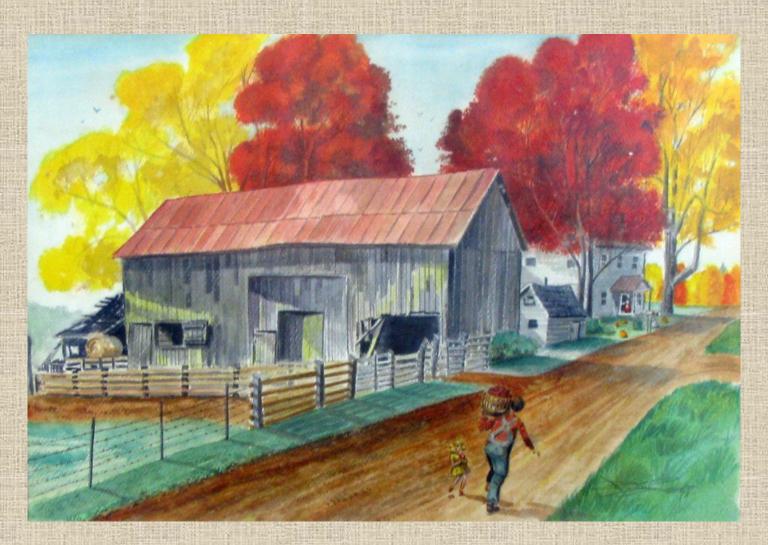
Mountain Stream - 1993
Sold on eBay 11-9-2018 for \$737.47. Reframed and gifted 11-14-2018
with a value of \$900.00
Valued at \$550.00 in 2015
Actual size - 14.5"x11.0"



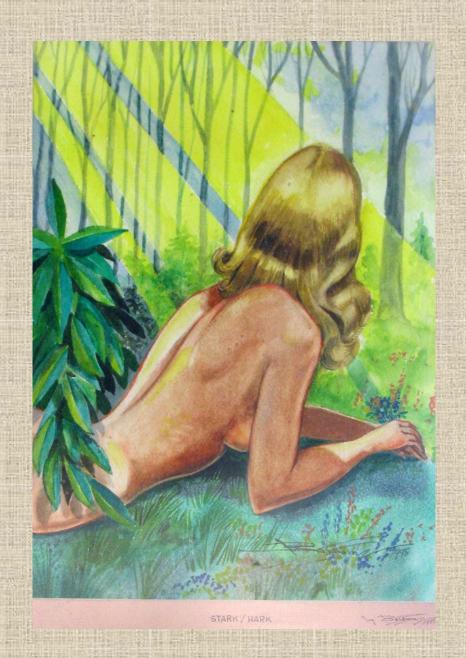
Nature by the River - 1995 Valued at \$400.00 in 2015 Actual size - 13"x9.5"



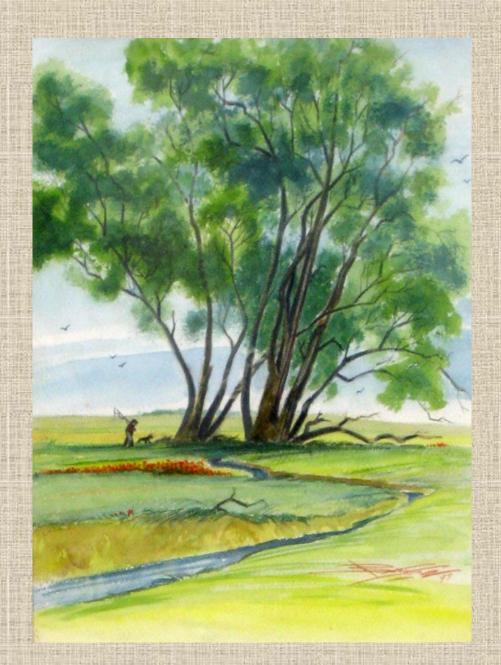
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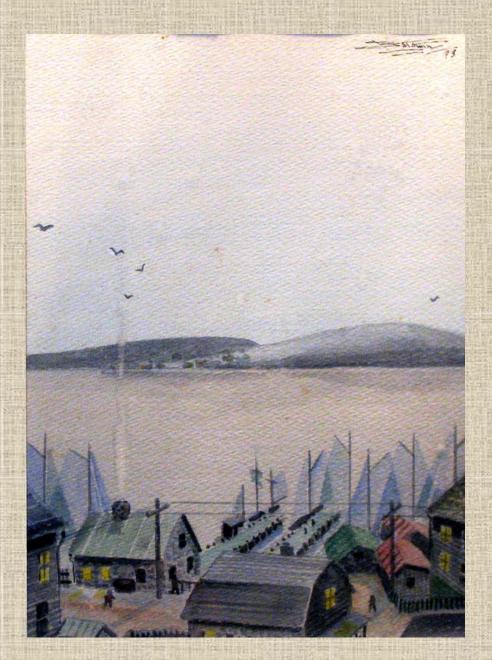
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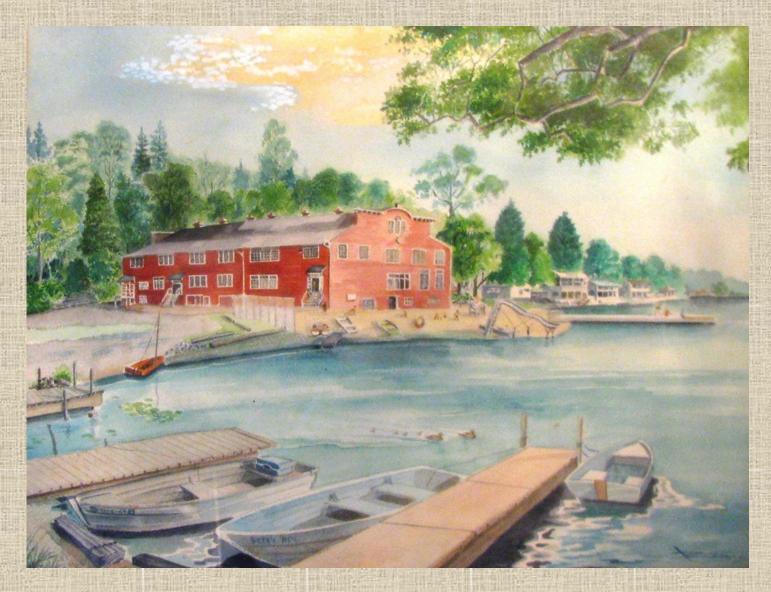
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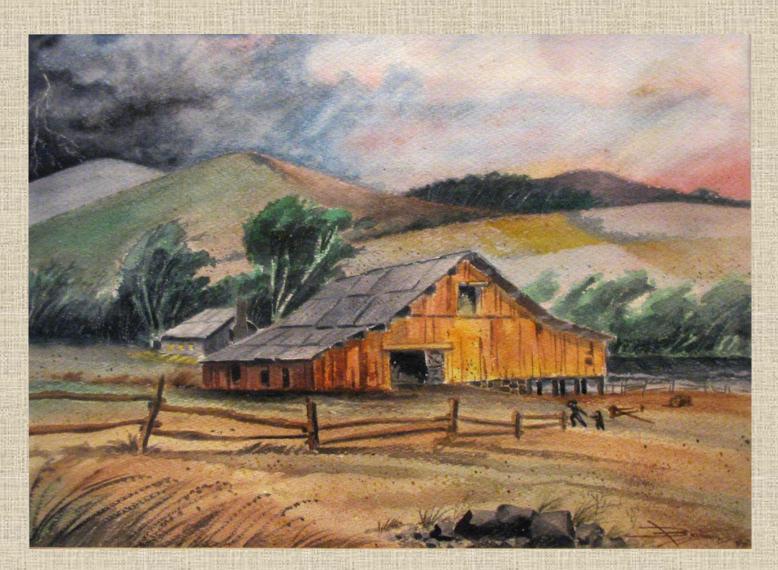
Waterfront-1993 Valued at \$450.00 in 2015 Actual size - 8"x11"



Saylor's Lake Pavilion - 1993
Sold on eBay in May of 2018 for \$1,200.00.
Built in October of 1923 for \$33K, the building was destroyed by a collapsing roof from snow on February 16, 1994.
Actual size - 23''x18''



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The Jeanne Trilogy - 1956-1964

Value in 2003 - Priceless!

Actual sizes (l-r) - 7.5"x9.5" - 6.5"x8.5" - 8"x7.5"

Identification of the Artist's Work

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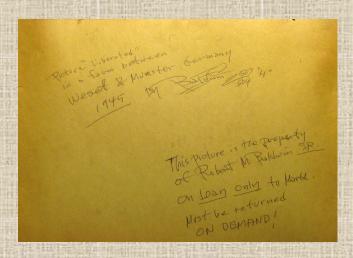








More often than not there is also an inscription on the back dedicating the painting to someone - usually a relative. And it could never be said that Robert Baldwin did not have a sense of humor.



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> R. Mark Baldwin, Jr. March 2015

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Donated to Veteran's Haven North "The Rally Point" By the Estate of Robert M. Baldwin Picture 1 of 23

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Robert M. Baldwin - Artist

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The Art of ROBERT M. BALDWIN Military Artist and Creator of His Time

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FT. BRAGG COLLECTION

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Collection Booklet





Mark Baldwin hands Mr. Jim Hallis a copy of the history of the Robert M. Baldwin Collection on March 26th, 2005.

Donation Newspaper Article

This collection of the original art of Robert M. Baldwin, consisting of sixteen pictures and one photograph, was valued at \$18,350.00 in 2003 per the values listed on page one of this web site.

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VETERAN'S HAVEN NORTH "THE RALLY POINT"

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Express-Times Newspaper Article

An internet news article was also run beginning on March 24, 2015 by the Express-Times newspaper of Easton, Pennsylvania announcing the event. For a time it was being viewed at this link:

> http://www.lehighvallevlive.com/hunterdon-county/expresstimes/index.ssf/2015/03/world war ii art donated to ve.html#incart river

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VALUE ASSESSMENTS

Value Assessment document

Invoice - Donated Collection to Veteran's Haven North

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FAMILY CONTACTS

Family members, Jeanne (Baldwin) Williams and Mark Baldwin have items in their possessions which are available for sale to interested parties. Seen on page three are many original watercolor paintings of Pennsylvania landscapes and scenes which are in the possession of Jeanne Williams. Both Jeanne Williams and Mark Baldwin are in possession of prints of the military scenes displayed on page one as well as a few of the original pieces on page two. If you are interested in the potential purchase of any of these items, you should contact them at the e-mail addresses below.

Military prints are available in black frames, size of 17"x14" / Matted 9.5"x7.5", or smaller. Sizes may vary depending on the size of the original and custom sizes will be considered. All prints are quality-assured and numbered from the private collections Jeanne Williams and Mark Baldwin and are accompanied by additional historic documents describing Robert Baldwin's experiences. Cost for prints are \$225.00.

An attempt to monitor the distribution of the original paintings and prints by Robert M. Baldwin has been performed by Jeanne Williams and Mark Baldwin:

<u>Distribution of Robert Baldwin Personal and Military Art Originals</u> <u>and Print Numbers</u>

E-MAIL ADDRESSES:

Jeanne (Baldwin) Williams - bbjeanne80@gmail.com Mark Baldwin - mbaldwin@collabre.com

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Addendum

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I'm unscathed though folks. So, Mom, your prayers were answered. Will admit I did my share too. Sky was filled with planes as far as you could see. And while in that plane I really was praying.

As we passed over the Rhine and I heard the flack ripping into the side of that plane and Sergeant Sprink yelled "We're over the Rhine". I could see it pass beneath us as we were standing then. After that it was hard to remember. He yelled: "Let's go". I felt myself rushing for the door (willingly, odd enough) then the door to front of me, the prop blast, and I was off, over Germany. My

chute opened and it seemed like I was floating over a gigantic corn popper, occasionally split by the rip of a Jerry Schmizer (machine gun).

Got on the ground, took me an age it seemed to get out of my chute, and get out my rifle. I got up and tried to run. I was between two houses (ed.- see paintings "Look for the Red Roof" and "The Drop Zone" below) from which the Jerrys were blazing away. Had 2 bags full of ammo and grenades strapped to me and in the jump the strap broke and my harness also was tangled up. Well, with all this and my pockets full, I'd stumble a ways then trip and fall, exhausted and my throat parched. I somehow got between those houses and into the woods. Others were not so lucky. How I made it I'll never know.

We live now in houses, cellars, etc. So it's pretty good. I'm fine.

Love, Bob

Robert's mother, Evelyn Baldwin, related further that she had dreamed that paratroopers loaded with grenades, etc. had landed on the hill above her house in Ridgway, Pennsylvania. She related that the dream was so vivid that she wrote the hour down and it corresponded to the above description of the *Rhine Jump*, though she had no idea that her son, Robert, was actually in the jump! Just another of those war-related stories that happen so often.

To recap, a number of the Robert M. Baldwin Collection of battlefield sketches, later turned into paintings, were the first-hand recollections of PFC Robert M. Baldwin, of the 507th Infantry Battalion, 504th Parachute Infantry Regiment of the 82nd Airborne Division. The pictures in Germany were from his own experiences while those dealing with the South Pacific, Vietnam, Operation Dragoon and his caricatures were from his reading of the events and his own imagination as a military battlefield participant.

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A reprint of the collection with the addition of seven new pieces in the form of cartoons drawn by Robert Baldwin and historic military memorabilia was created and donated by R. Mark Baldwin, Jr. to the *Veteran's Haven North – "The Rally Point"* veteran's facility in Glen Gardner, New Jersey in March of 2015 for the enjoyment of the members of the facility. This was the first reprinted collection ever donated and this booklet presents a summary of the complete collection in pamphlet form.

A web site presenting all of Robert Baldwin's work beyond the military may be found at [in 2022 - ed]: www.collabre.com/RobertBaldwinCollection/Opening.html

His complete personal history may also be located at the web site for www.ancestry.com[in 2022 - ed] by searching for "Robert Mark Baldwin" with a birthdate of March 3, 1925 in Ridgway, Pennsylvania. Search for family trees. He is located in both the "BaldwinHolt Family Tree" and the

"BakerBaldwin Family Tree" – each by "mbaldwin148." The BakerBaldwin Family Tree is the more current version.

We hope you enjoy the paintings!

The Estate of Robert M. Baldwin March 2015

Donation of Art Collection to Veteran's Haven North – "The Rally Point"



On Monday, March 23rd Nancy & Mark Baldwin, representing the *Estate of Robert M. Baldwin Sr.*, are shown here with Sean Van Lew, the superintendent of *Veteran's Haven North – "The Rally Point"*, a veterans' support facility in Glen Gardner, New Jersey. The donation of twenty-three military paintings were digital prints of originals which were painted and drawn by Robert Baldwin during and after his service during World War II in Germany. The originals were donated in March of 2005 to the Ft. Bragg Airborne Museum in Fayetteville, North Carolina after Robert Baldwin's death in 2003. This collection is the first-ever created from digital prints of the originals by the estate and is being donated for the enjoyment of the veterans currently using the facility at Glen Gardner.

Robert Baldwin was a paratrooper in the 82nd Airborne Division and was involved in *Operation Varsity*, the code word for the battle which took place when the allies crossed the Rhine River into Germany. He was also a member of the Army of Occupation in Berlin. Fittingly enough, *Operation Varsity* took place on March 24th, 1945, meaning that this donation was made on the 70th anniversary of the battle.

Robert Baldwin was an artist and former mayor of South Plainfield, New Jersey from 1956-1962 and his pencil, watercolor, and pastel paintings were created by him from sketches made during and after his military service. He operated a commercial art and advertising agency as a profession, but in his retirement he was very active with veterans' groups and designed a number of memorials including the *Airborne Walk* at Ft. Benning, Georgia and others in Normandy and Houffalize, Belgium (Battle of the Bulge).

A memorial booklet describing Robert Baldwin's history and showing pictures of the donated prints was also presented and a free digital copy may be obtained by interested parties by contacting Mark Baldwin at mbaldwin@collabre.com.

Alternate picture:

Donation of Collection Booklet to Sean Van Lew by Mark Baldwin.



Robert M. Baldwin World War II Military Art Collection Donated to Ft. Bragg Airborne Museum

Robert M. Baldwin, former Mayor of South Plainfield, New Jersey, and 82nd Airborne Division Paratrooper during World War II, died on December 28, 2003, at his home in Saylorsburg, Pennsylvania, at the age of 78. His tour of duty during the war included participation in the Rhine Jump on March 24, 1945, as the Allied Army crossed into Germany, and the occupation of Berlin after the war.

During this time he sketched his observations and put together a collection of original water color paintings depicting the war scenes he witnessed. Between 1945 and his death in 2003 he added other battlefield depictions to his collection of the war in the Pacific and Vietnam.

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"The Hunter is Starving" Operation Dragoon - 1944 - Southern France 509 Parachute Infantry Combat Team



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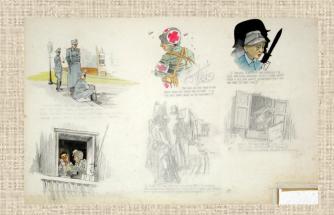
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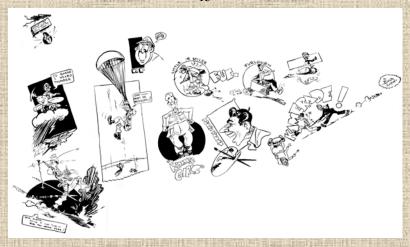


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"First In"
The guy who gets there first and is the target.



"Big and Little Steves"



Smaller version of "The Hunter is Starving" Seen above, but signed.



A Mother's Day 1945 present to his mother in caricature style from Robert M. Baldwin

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Robert Mark Baldwin, Sr. Military Artist of his Time 1925 - 2003



Robert Baldwin - 1944

His History:

Robert Baldwin was born March 3, 1925, the second son of William M. and Evelyn L. Baldwin in Ridgway, Pennsylvania. He attended school in the Ridgway Public School system and, although he didn't distinguish himself as an academician, he proved quite adept with a sketch pad and paint brush.

In 1943, during the latter part of his senior year of high school, Robert was granted his diploma before the end of the normal school year in order that he might enter his country's service in World War II.

Robert left school February 5, 1943 just before his 18th birthday and enlisted in the United States Army. After completing Basic Training he passed from group to group serving in the infantry, artillery, the aviation cadets and finally ended up in the paratrooper school where on November 24, 1944 he was graduated and assigned to the 507 Parachute Infantry Battalion of the 504th Parachute Infantry Regiment of the 82nd Airborne Division as a

Private First Class. He was sent over to Europe on January 29, 1945, saw action in the *Rhine Jump* in the Rhine Land of Central Europe on March 24, 1945, and was a member of the first army of occupation in Berlin at the war's end. It was during this period in Germany that the first of his works were painted.

Robert received the following honors: Good Conduct Medal, Distinguished Unit Badge, American Theater Service Medal, EAME Theater, Service Medal, two Bronze Stars, and a World War II Victory Medal. He was honorably discharged from service on January 16, 1946.

Robert was married just before departing for overseas to his childhood sweetheart, Caroline Jean Holt of Ridgway, Pennsylvania. They were married October 14, 1944, in the chapel in the Harmony Church area of Fort Benning, Georgia, where he was stationed at the time. His first child, R. Mark, Jr., was born before his return from Europe. His three other children – Carl J., Jeanne L. and Eric H. – followed during the 1950s.



Robert and Caroline Baldwin - October 1944

After the war Robert and Caroline moved to New Jersey, eventually settling at 1615 Plainfield Avenue, South Plainfield, in 1950. Working from 1946 to 1948 first for the Art Color Company in Dunellen as a timekeeper in a composing room and then as a window designer for the Teppers department store in Plainfield.

A talented artist from childhood, he sought to build himself a career in commercial art. In 1948 he created *The Robert M. Baldwin Company* as a one-man commercial art and advertising agency and set up shop in a one-room studio on 8 Court Street in Newark, New Jersey. Later in 1956 he moved his studio to his residence at 1615 Plainfield Avenue, South Plainfield.

In this same year of 1956 Robert ran for the public office of Mayor and led a Republican resurgence in the predominantly Democratic town of South Plainfield. Robert remained in office for six years until 1962.

His presence was not unfelt in the community. Although not an architect, he was responsible for the construction and design of the Borough Hall and the Borough Library, both of which bear plaques inscribed with his name. He also designed the Borough Seal and developed the original ideas for the New World Industrial Site in the southern end of town and a park on South Plainfield's Spring Lake.

As a politician he was of course a joiner, whether by choice or otherwise. In addition to his work he sat on town bodies such as the Planning Board, Sewer Commission, and many other administrative boards.

Many of his memberships were of a military nature. He was a member of the local V.F.W. Post #6763, The American Legion Chaumont Post #243, and a trustee of the South Plainfield Public Library. He was also a charter member of the V.F.W. Post in Ridgway, Pennsylvania, the Military Order of the Cooties Pup Tent #41 of the South Plainfield V.F.W., the South Plainfield Civic Band, and the South Plainfield Junior Chamber of Commerce, the latter two of

which he organized. And finally he was a member of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church of Plainfield, New Jersey, serving as a Warden from about 1957 to 1959.



Robert and Caroline Baldwin - 1953

His Art:

Robert's artistic talents and interests took him beyond his commercial art and advertising business into the fields of sculpting, molding, painting and caricature drawing.

Around 1970 Robert added a new aspect to his art business. *Baldwin Originals* was created as an adjunct to *The Robert M. Baldwin Company* and specialized in the reproduction of his sculpted work. In many ways sculpting was his greater talent, and most had a military flavor. He sold them as wall hangings and decorative items for around the house.

He also specialized in reproducing military unit insignia such as pins, patches, jewelry and belt buckles. These pieces are not displayed in this collection because of their commercial nature and the fact that most were sold. Among these pieces was an 18-inch-high sculpted paratrooper in full battle gear about to launch himself through a jump-door. The original clay model of this piece was destroyed and it is not believed that it was ever reproduced.

Robert's artistic endeavors were also strongly influenced by a respect for history. In his later years he and his wife, Caroline, traveled around the country visiting Civil War battlefields and attending military reunions. He became well known among this honored group of veterans during the period from 1970 until his death on December 28, 2003 in his home in Saylorsburg, Pennsylvania. His ashes are buried in the Hillside Cemetery in South Plainfield, New Jersey. He was 78.

He was invited to design a number of memorials for military posts in the United States as well as a D-Day Memorial in Normandy, France and a plaque on a Battle of the Bulge Monument in Houffalize, Belgium. He designed the cover of the book *We Jumped To Fight* by Col. Edson D. Raff. Probably his most well-know design was *The Airborne Walk* at Ft. Benning, Georgia. He had requested that a portion of his ashes be spread there. But, alas, that was not possible. His signature was discretely applied to all of these monuments and plaques. Look for them some day!



Robert and Caroline Baldwin - 1984

His Collection:

Of course the purpose of this booklet is to introduce Robert Baldwin's 23-piece collection of military paintings and related art. Although they cover periods through Vietnam, the most important pieces were sketched from the period of the 1945 *Rhine Jump* into Germany and during the occupation of Berlin.

But Robert Baldwin wrote too, and some of his reportage is gripping. At this point it might be worth reprinting his first-hand account of the flight into Germany on that March day as captured in a letter to his parents on April 5, 1945:

Jumping into Germany

Looks like the worst of it is over for us as it seems the whole darn U.S. Army is in Germany by now. We've done our share, so guess we deserve a rest.

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A reprint of the collection with the addition of seven new pieces in the form of cartoons drawn by Robert Baldwin and historic military memorabilia was created and donated by R. Mark Baldwin, Jr. to the *Veteran's Haven North – "The Rally Point"* veteran's facility in Glen Gardner, New Jersey in March of 2015 for the enjoyment of the members of the facility. This was the first reprinted collection ever donated and this booklet presents a summary of the complete collection in pamphlet form.

A web site presenting all of Robert Baldwin's work beyond the military may be found at [in 2022 - ed]: www.collabre.com/RobertBaldwinCollection/Opening.html

His complete personal history may also be located at the web site for www.ancestry.com[in 2022 - ed] by searching for Robert Mark Baldwin with a birthdate of March 3, 1925 in Ridgway, Pennsylvania. Search for 'Public Family Trees'. He is located in both the BaldwinHolt Family Tree and the BakerBaldwin Family Tree – each by mbaldwin148. The BakerBaldwin Family Tree is the more current version.

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The Estate of Robert M. Baldwin March 2015

The Robert M. Baldwin Collection



"The Drop Zone"

March 24, 1945 - 10:08 O'Clock

N.W. of Wesel, Germany

From the artist's experience.

(Picture 1 of 23)



"Look For the Red Roof"
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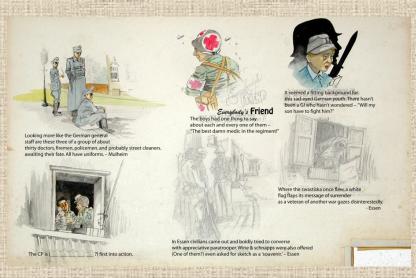
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"Street Sketches" with captions
Berlin - 1945
From the artist's experience.
(Picture 6 of 23)



"Street Sketches" attachment with readable captions



"Looking North Down Adolph Hitler Strasse"
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From the artist's experience. (Picture 12 of 23)



"Getting Off a Hot DZ" From the artist's experience. (Picture 13 of 23)





"Airborne Cartoon Humor" by Robert Baldwin – 1974 & 1980 (Picture 14 of 23)































"Airborne Units" – Old & New (Picture 15 of 23)









"The Airborne Walk" – Ft. Benning, Georgia
Designed by Robert Baldwin.
Pictures are of the original model.
Dedicated April 17, 1986
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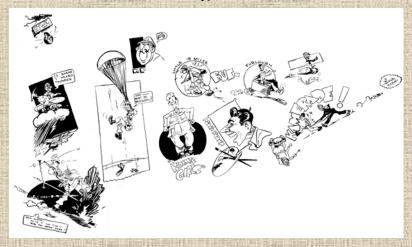
17th Airborne Division







"Airborne Bravado"
Cartoons and T-shirt designs by Robert Baldwin.
(Picture 17 of 23)



"Ceiling Murals" Caricatures drawn by Robert Baldwin on the ceiling

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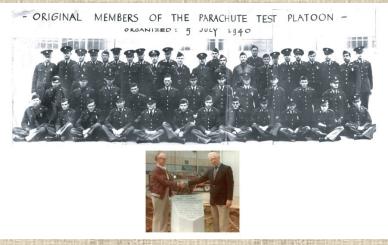
General Anthony C. "Nuts" McAuliffe
Commander of the 101st troops at Bastogne, Belgium
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(Picture 20 of 23)



"Hitler"
The artist's vision.
(Picture 21 of 23)



Field Marshal Karl Rudolf Gerg von Rundstedt
Field Marshal in command of the German
forces at the end of the war.
The artist's vision.
(Picture 22 of 23)



Original Members of the Parachute Test Platoon Monument Dedication October 10, 1983 Organized: 5 July 1940 (Picture 23 of 23)

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Among the artwork of Robert M. Baldwin Sr. being donated to Veteran's Haven North in Glen Gardner is this painting of a landing by U.S. Army paratroopers during World War II. Baldwin served with the 82nd Airborne Division. (COURTESY PHOTOS)

Veteran and artist soldiered through the war he painted

By Pete Brekus

A New Jersey veteran's collection of battlefield sketches and paintings has been donated to Veteran's Haven North in Glen Gardner.

The watercolors and paintings were created by Robert M. Baldwin Sr. from sketches he made during and after his service in the Army in the European Theater of World War II.

Baldwin served with the 507th Infantry Battalion, 504th Parachute Infantry Regiment of the Army's 82nd Airborne Division and

saw action in Operation Varsity, the invasion of Germany as the Allies crossed the Rhine River in March 1945.

Baldwin grew up in Ridgway, Pa., and joined the Army in 1943.

After the war, he was an artist and served as mayor of South Plainfield, N.J. He died in 2003.

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The collection was donated to Veteran's Haven by his son, Mark Baldwin, in his father's memory.



Robert M. Baldwin Sr.



Baldwin created the art for the Gen. Anthony C. McAuliffe award, above. Right: His depiction of World War II troop gliders landing.



BANGOR AREA SCHOOLS

Board member decry 'bloated Career Institu

By John Best

The Career Institute of Technology overpays its administrators, several Bangor Area School Board directors say.

The Bangor Area School Board on Monday voted 5-4 to approve paying its \$1.2 million share of CIT's \$7.5 million budget. Board member Bob Cartwright said it's not appropriate that CIT Director Ronald Roth, who oversees fewer than 700 students, makes more money than Bangor Area adminis-trators, who oversee more than 3,000.

"It's not their product that is a problem," Cartwright said. "I have a problem with the cost of their administration.

This year, Bangor Area sent 146 students to CIT, along with students from Wilson Area, Easton Area, Nazareth Area and Pen Argyl Area districts for a total enrollment of about 668 students. CIT provides vocational

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EASTON AREA SCHOOLS

Tracy Element closing recons

By Rudy Miller
The Express-Times

The Easton Area School District superintendent said his administrative team is considering alternatives to closing Tracy Elementary School as a means to cut costs.

A Pennsylvania Economy League study unveiled last year calls for retrofitting the school to house the district's offices and alternative school and for selling the current education center and alternative school sites to save money.

The study predicts the district's enrollment will dip 11 percent over the next 10 years.

Superintendent John Reinhart said after Tuesday's school board meeting the plan to convert Tracy may be too costly. Board President

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ROBERT M. BALDWIN ART COLLECTION ASSESSMENT OF VALUES

FORWARD:

This report is designed to establish an appropriate assessment of the Fair Market Value of the many works of Robert M. Baldwin, artist and sculptor, who lived from 1925 to 2003. It is based on the unique and individual nature of his work, all of it being original. Additionally, his military sketches are enhanced by the fact that they were created from first-hand battlefield experience as a soldier in Germany in World War II. He also had an honored reputation among World War II veteran organizations for three decades before his death. This document is not intended to be a Replacement Value, insurance or official tax document of any sort. If pieces are sold in the open market every attempt will be made to secure those actual market values and report them in the documents noted in the next paragraph. But, as noted above, it is designed to establish a benchmark Fair Market Value for his work as it existed at his death in 2003.

PICTURES:

Many of Robert Baldwin's pieces have been distributed to family members or sold and are not readily available for presentation. Should they make an appearance in the future, however, this assessment should be a valuable aide in arriving at an appropriate valuation. Many of Robert Baldwin's pieces are exhibited on-line at http://www.collabre.com/RobertBaldwinCollection/Opening.html [in 2022 - ed] where they may be conveniently viewed, with price evaluations, on Pages 1, 2 & 3. They will not be presented here in this assessment because they are too numerous. The web site will, however, provide the official, most current, assessment of value with discussions of any recent changes. The purpose of *this* document is only to provide a justification for their valuations.

THE ARTIST AND HIS REPUTATION:

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Your reading will reveal an extraordinary man who served his country with distinction during World War II, documented with his art the events which transpired before his eyes in the form of sketches & paintings and a man who served his community as a young man as mayor of his town. He was a designer and visionary within his community and a social organizer among his military peers. He was an entrepreneur founding his own commercial art and advertising business, *The Robert M. Baldwin Company*, and in his later life, through the

subsidiary company *Baldwin Originals*, he served his military veterans designing monuments, parks, plaques and established an outstanding reputation among them.

Life was a perpetual canvas to him!

DESCRIPTION OF HIS WORK AND STYLE:

Robert Baldwin worked on his picture art in watercolor, charcoal, colored chalk, line drawings and pen & ink. His style might be said to date from the 1940-1970 era before the presence of the computer became a factor. Not only were his drawings all hand-drawn, but his typesetting was as well. In his professional business as a commercial artist, many of his headlines were hand-drawn. His *Mother's Day* card in 1945 and his ceiling caricatures show his command of hand-lettering. And, of course, he drew his own figures and did not rely on 'clip art' in his work.

His work was detailed. This is seen in the military uniforms his characters wore and in the building scenes in Germany. Yet at the same time they were impressionistic – witness the picture *Blazing Skies* with its sinister red and yellow flames silhouetted against the black night sky, or the depression of *Mute and Smoldering Ruins*.

And he could write history as well, as evidenced by his description of *The Rhine Jump – Operation Varsity* where the sounds of shrapnel tore into the sides of his airplane and the sky sounded like popcorn popping as he floated to the ground in his parachute. And, of course, his shear panic as he landed, tried to get out of his equipment and run for the safety of a nearby woods as fast as possible. Not included in his description, but mentioned at a later time, was how he came to a six-foot wall and somehow, because he was so scared, flew over it like Superman!

Robert Baldwin was also a sculptor and mold-maker. In fact his work in clay in many ways surpassed his drawings in detail. Of course *The Baldwin Dragon* was his greatest piece, demonstrating detail, practicality and knowledge of mold-making at which he was a master.

And finally, Robert Baldwin had a distinctive sense of humor. Caricatures pervade his art and even his planter sculpture pieces smiled with childlike faces! He once at the request of a client drew a smiling elephant, much to her joy.

Robert Baldwin was a diversified artist and creator who could write, paint, sketch and sculpt. And that creativity broke the bounds of his art and showed itself further in his family and public life.

COMPARABLE PIECES - MILITARY:

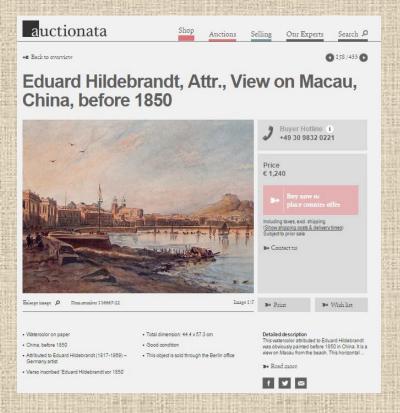
A market investigation shows that comparable original art pieces using Robert Baldwin's techniques of watercolor, charcoal, colored chalk, line drawings and pen & ink are being sold for prices ranging from \$300 to as much as \$11,000. The average, however, seem to be in the \$1,000 to \$1,500 range. In addition to the traditional detail, the *historical* value of his military work must also be factored into the assessment. And all pieces were, of course, signed. Here are some examples of comparable pieces and their sale prices as shown on the internet site for *Auctionata*. Conversion rates are at 1.0 Euro = 1.05 Dollars:



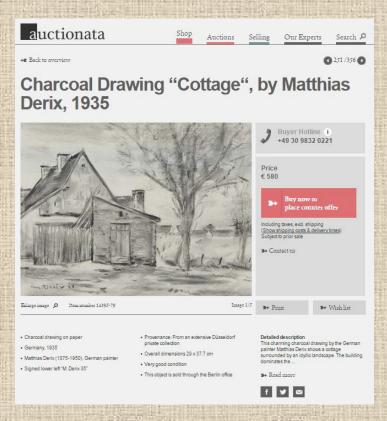
Military watercolor, signed – 980 Euros / 1028 Dollars



Building Pastel chalk – 1,650 Euros / 1,731.92 Dollars



Watercolor of buildings, signed – 1,240 Euros / 1,301.57 Dollars



Charcoal of building - 580 Euros / 608.80 Dollars



Watercolor of military scene, 10,530 Euros / 11,052.81 Dollars



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Group of ink line drawings, signed – 1,080 Euros / 1,133.62 Dollars



Colored chalk of soldier, signed – 260 Euros / 272.92

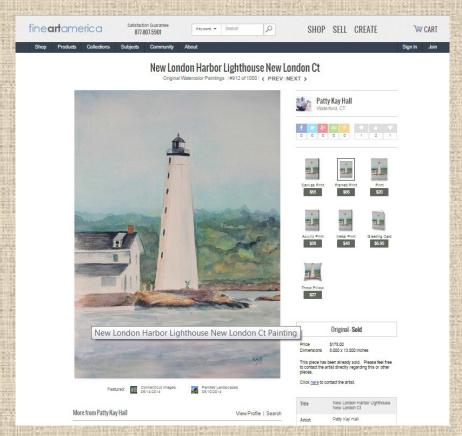
The examples provided by these few samples show a range of prices from \$273 to as high as \$11,000. The average seems to be in the \$1,000 to \$1,500 range with the military scenes being slightly higher. For the purpose of evaluating the military art of Robert Baldwin, which was originally sketched from first-hand, onlocation experiences, we have used what we consider to be a very conservative value of \$1,500 for each piece taking into consideration their historical value. For the other pictures depicting military scenes based on his experience, but not first-hand presence, we have valued them at \$1,000. And all pieces are, of course, signed by the artist.

These values are determined by comparing the style and quality of Robert Baldwin's work with those shown to be auctioned and sold in the art marketplace. The additional factor of the reputation of Robert Baldwin should also be considered and could add at least \$500 more to their value over time. But it has not been factored in to the prices shown on the web site.

Complete collections, such as the original collection to the *Ft. Bragg Airborne Museum* and the *Veteran's Haven North*, gain an additional value by being a complete collection. This factor alone could add another \$500 to the value of the collections. Descriptive supplementary materials, such as historical picture booklets, add additional value as well. But, again, these factors have not been added to the prices shown on the web site at this time.

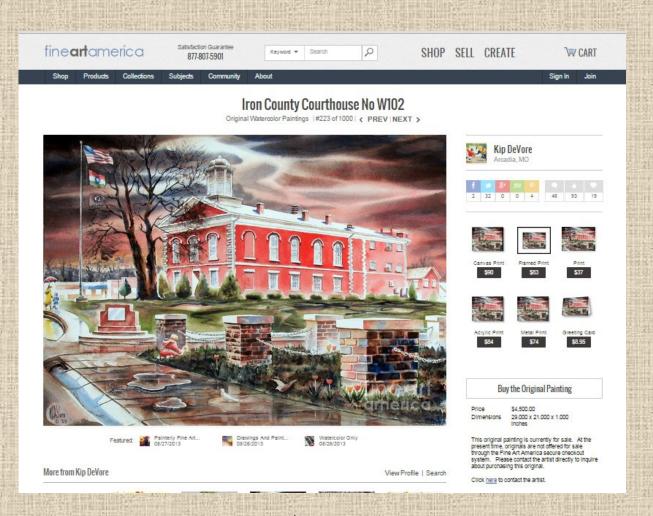
COMPARABLE PIECES – NON-MILITARY WATERCOLORS:

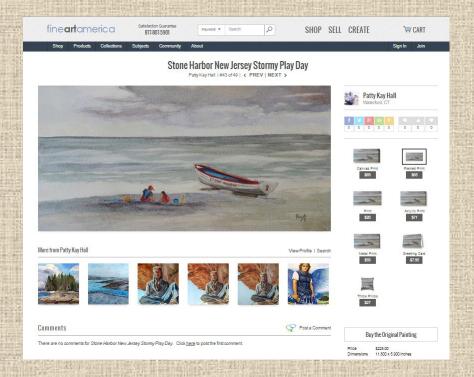
While Robert Baldwin used watercolors on his military paintings, his non-military work must be assessed differently because it lacks the historical significance of the military pictures. They are more akin to landscapes, buildings and purely artistic views. A market investigation shows that comparable original art pieces using Robert Baldwin's techniques of watercolor, are being sold in a range from \$100 to as much as \$4,500. The average, however, seem to be in the \$500 to \$1,000 range. All pieces were, of course, originals and signed. Watercolors are also priced according to complexity of detail and one accordingly finds a large variation in price between paintings from even the same artist. Here are some examples of a variety of watercolor pieces from the Internet site of *FineArtAmerican* which are comparable to the work of Robert Baldwin which were used to value his work on page 3 of this site.



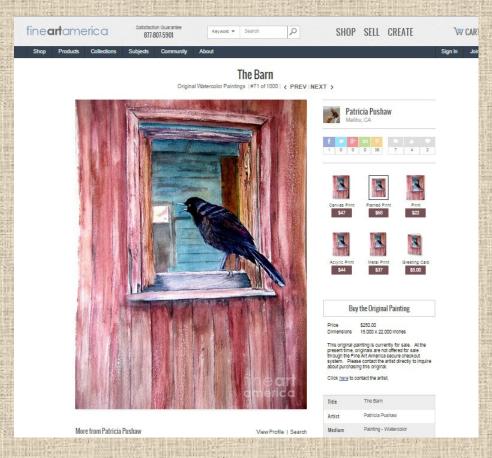


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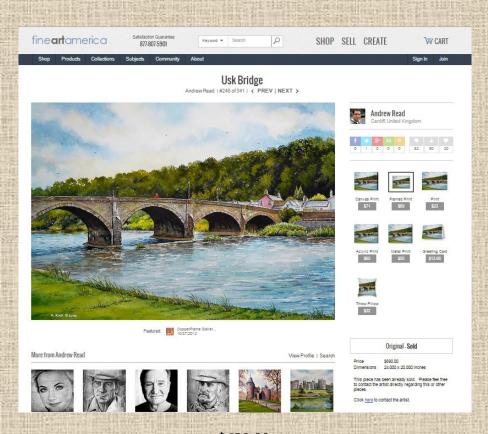
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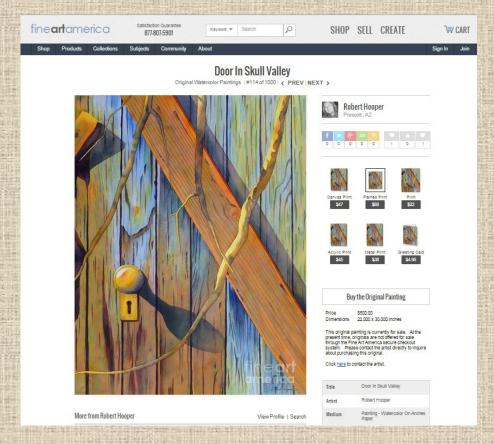
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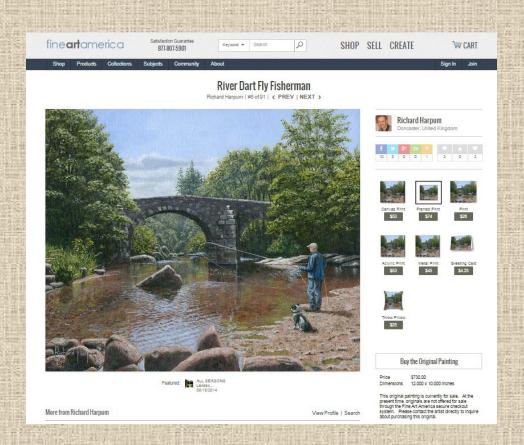
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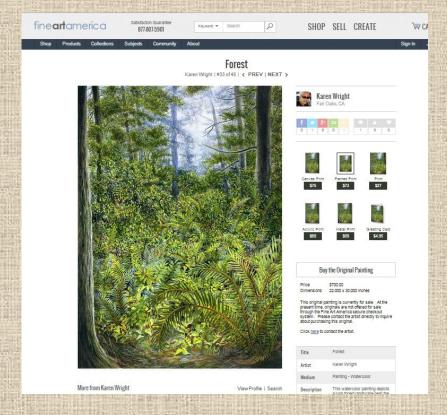
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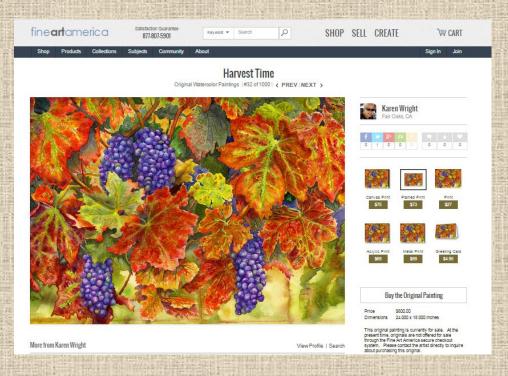
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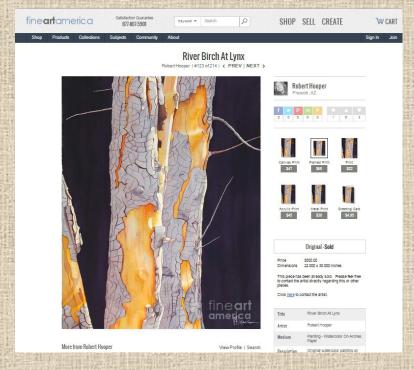
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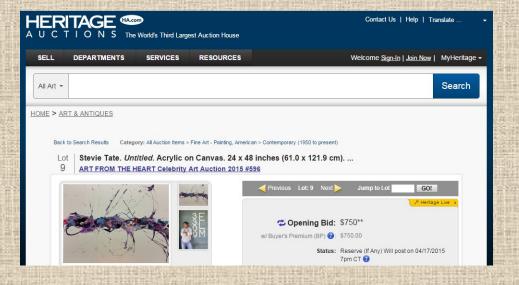


\$4,500.00

COMPARABLE PIECES – ACRYLIC WATER PAINTING TECHNIQUE:

Also referred to as 'acrylic marbling' this technique of painting starts with a tray of water into which acrylic paints are placed. Then, using a brush or a comb or some other device, the artist swirls the paint to create in some cases a marbling effect, some other design or even a picture. Then a piece of paper is placed upon the water to capture the floating acrylic paint. In the case of Robert Baldwin, he created his design but then took the process a step further by incorporating into the swirled or marbled acrylic background a picture which he would draw. Depending on the detail of the art, acrylic drawings which are merely marbled or swirled designs have sold in the \$500 to \$1,000 range.

Finding paintings like Robert Baldwin's has proven challenging since many acrylic paintings using this technique are just designs. But included at the end of this section are two watercolor paintings which resemble his techniques of adding a picture to the design. And as you can see, they were quite highly valued. Until we have more pictures of Robert Baldwin's acrylic water painting technique, we cannot appropriately value them. We have only the one picture, *The Ovum*, which is not representative of the bulk of his work. It is more of the purely design nature only. The writer, however, has personal knowledge of the other paintings and he would have to place their value conservatively in the \$1,000 to \$2,500 range.



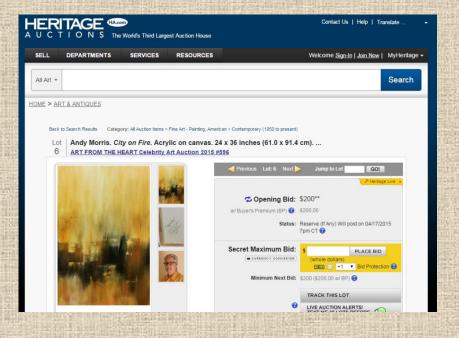


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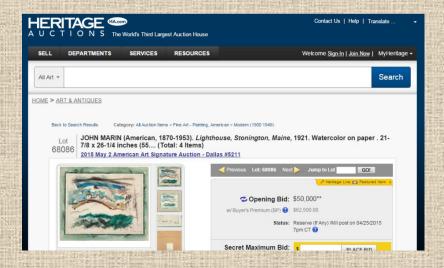


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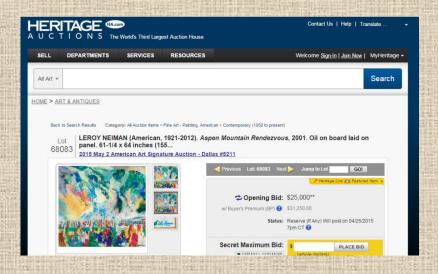


Auction Price - \$200.00





Watercolor in the style of Robert Baldwin – Auction Price - \$50,000.00





Watercolor in the style of Robert Baldwin - Auction Price - \$25,000.00

CONCLUSION:

This Fair Market Valuation assessment was prepared by Saddle Ridge Concepts, LLC – an advertising, art and consulting company. Preparing valuations of art collections is not its *forte*. It is, however, a company that produces art and its owner comes from a background of thirty years in the art and advertising business with *Baldwin & Obenauf, Inc.* of Somerville, New Jersey. This report is not intended as well to hide the fact that the owner is R. Mark Baldwin, Jr., the son of Robert M. Baldwin, Sr. Some may say that this is accordingly a biased report. But in view of his 40 years in the art and advertising field, it is argued that Mark Baldwin is amply qualified to assess the value of artwork. And especially since this is only a Fair Market Value report, not a Replacement Value or any other kind of official tax or insurance document, it is presented as a benchmark

valuation of the works of Robert Baldwin only. Prices presented for his pictures have been researched, argued and presented in this report. They are considered to be conservative. For other work, especially the sculptures, the prices are the actual established prices of the work as it was sold by Robert Baldwin up through 2003.

In the future as pieces may come to be sold, their sale prices will be reported as much as is feasible depending on how those prices are reported back to Saddle Ridge Concepts, LLC.

And finally, as stated previously, the primary purpose of this evaluation is to establish a benchmark value of the art legacy of Robert M. Baldwin so that his work and talent shall not go unnoticed to future generations.

R. Mark Baldwin, Jr. - April 2015

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TO: Mark Baldwin

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Lebanon, New Jersey 08833

March 23, 2015

SUBJECT: ASSEMBLY OF ROBERT M. BALDWIN ART PRINT COLLECTION

INVOICE # 3-23-15

Printing of pictures, purchase of frames, purchase of brass plates, creation of labels, framing of pictures, shipping and delivery. Also coordination of project with Veteran's Haven North.

Per Attached Time Card for 2-1-15 to 3-23-15 = \$5,000.00

NO CHARGE - DONATED TIME FOR A GOOD CAUSE!

It has been a pleasure to serve you!!!

Please make checks payable to: Saddle Ridge Concepts, LLC

HOME TIME CARD Saddle Ridge Concepts, LLC From 2-10-2015 to 3-23-2015

All work billed at \$65/hour Driving & Shopping billed at \$25/hour

Event	Total Hours	Total Dollars
Print out 16 art files and size to 8.5x14 - 1:00-5:00 @ \$65/hr	4.00	\$260.00
Review frames at Michaels - 10:00-11:00 @\$25/hr	1.00	\$25.00
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Buy frames for samples from Michaels - \$76.99	- Print and Co. (1975)	\$76.99
Review frames with Sean Van Lew - 10:30-11:00 @\$65/hr	0.50	\$32.50
Review frames at Walmart - 3:30-4:30 @\$25/hr	1.00	\$25.00
Buy frames at Walmart - \$81.06	0.00	\$81.06
Review pictures and print out new ones - 10:00-5:00 @\$65/hr	7.00	\$455.00
Drive to three Walmarts to buy new frames - 12:00-3:00 @\$25/hr	3.00	\$75.00
Buy frames at two Walmarts - \$69.38 + \$106.70 = \$176.08	0.00	\$176.08
Prepare brass plates for art & review more art - 7:00-6:30 @\$65/hr	11.50	\$747.50
Prepare files for Fast Signs & e-mail electronic files - 8:30-9:30 @\$65/hr	1.00	\$65.00
Drive to Fast Signs in Raritan to place order - 10:30-11:00 @ \$65/hr	0.50	\$32.50
Calculate odd matte sizes - 12:00-12:30 @ \$65/hr	0.50	\$32.50
Drive to Michaels for mattes & two Walmarts for frames - 1:00-3:00 @ \$25/hr	2.00	\$50.00
Cost of 10 mattes at Michaels	0.00	\$199.34
Frames at Walmart in Flemington	0.00	\$55.47
Frames at Walmart in Branchburg	0.00	\$18.15
Frame pictures @65/hr	2.00	\$130.00
Frame labels - VistaPrint	0.00	\$70.61
Create labels for frames and translate captions - 1:10-3:40 @ \$65/hr	2.50	\$162.50
Create donation booklet - 3:40-5:05 @ \$65/hr	1.42	\$92.30
Shop for frame and supplies - 10:15-11:30 - @ \$25/hr.	1.25	\$31.25
Frame at Walmart -	0.00	\$18.15
Supplies at Staples	0.00	\$27.34
Shop on-line for paper - 11:40-12:15 - @ \$25/hr	0.42	\$10.50
Cost of ream of fine laser paper - Paperworks	0.00	\$55.06
Fast Signs - brass plates	0.00	\$216.00
Drive to Fast Signs to get plates - 10:00-11:00 @ \$25/hr	1.00	\$25.00
Two-sided tape at Home Depot	0.00	\$5.32
	0.50	\$32.50
Print 22 new pictures on good paper - 9:30-10:00 @ \$65/hr Frame 10 pictures - 10:00-12:00, 12:35-2:00 @ \$65/hr	3.42	\$222.30
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Drive to Michaels for frame, pick-up & order mattes - 11:00-11:30 @ \$25/hr	0.50	\$12.50
Buy new single matte	0.00	\$15.84
Buy additional single frame	0.00	\$16.04
Frame 11 pictures - 9:00-10:00, 11:00-1:30, 1:50-4:20 @ \$65/hr	6.00	\$390.00
Print and afix labels - 5:00-6:20 @ \$65/hr	1.33	\$86.45
Apply labels to backs of pictures - 11:15-1:00 @ \$65/hr	1.75	\$113.75
Revise booklet - 1:20-3:50 @ \$65/hr.	2.50	\$162.50
Proof booklet - 10:00-12:00 @ \$65/hr.	2.00	\$130.00
Set up signatures - 5:15-6:10 @ \$65/hr.	1.92	\$124.80
Final proof - 10:00-11:10 @ \$65/hr	1.16	\$75.40
Print 12 copies of booklet - 11:10-11:45 @ \$65/hr	0.58	\$37.70
Buy stapler to bind booklets	0.00	\$37.65
Assemble 12 booklets @ \$65/hr	0.50	\$32.50
Package 23 prints @ \$65/hr	1.00	\$65.00
Deliver pictures to Veteran's Haven North @ \$65/hr	0.50	\$32.50
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	Total Hours	\$56.59
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Robert Baldwin Personal and Military Art Original and Print Numbers (The originals of a number of non-military paintings were sold by Jeanne Williams, but she received a free print in return for the sale. These were #1.) (Last updated 4/1/2019)

Name of Art	Original Sold To	Print Sold To	Number	Date	Value
Look for the Red Roof	Ft. Bragg 82nd Museum		Original	3/26/2005	\$500.00 (donation)
		Vet Haven North	1	3/23/2015	\$225.00 (donation)
		J. H Knoxville, TN	2	3/29/2018	\$225.00 (donation)
		Mark Baldwin - Clinton Twp., NJ	3	3/31/2018	\$225.00 (Hold for sale)
North Down Hitler Strasse	Ft. Bragg 82nd Museum		Original	3/26/2005	\$500.00 (donation)
		Vet Haven North	1	3/23/2015	\$225.00 (donation)
Getting off a Hot DZ	J. H Knoxville, TN		Original	3/22/2018	\$850.00 (donation)
		Vet Haven North	1	3/23/2015	\$225.00 (donation)
The Drop Zone	Ft. Bragg 82nd Museum		Original	3/26/2005	\$500.00 (donation)
	39 (2011)	Vet Haven North	1	3/23/2015	\$225.00 (donation)
The Hunter is Starving	Ft. Bragg 82nd Museum		Original	3/26/2005	\$500.00 (donation)
	Lagg cana macam	Vet Haven North	1	3/23/2015	\$225.00 (donation)
NAM - 1968	Ft. Bragg 82nd Museum		Original	3/26/2005	\$500.00 (donation)
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Enough	Ft. Bragg 82nd Museum		Original	3/26/2005	\$500.00 (donation)
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Street Sketches	Ft. Bragg 82nd Museum	Vet Haven North	Original 1	3/26/2005 3/23/2015	\$500.00 (donation) \$225.00 (donation)
Combat - Over the Dead	Ft. Bragg 82nd Museum	Vet Haven North	Original 1	3/26/2005 3/23/2015	\$500.00 (donation) \$225.00 (donation)
Mute and Smoldering Essen	Ft. Bragg 82nd Museum	Vet Haven North	Original 1	3/26/2005 3/23/2015	\$500.00 (donation) \$225.00 (donation)
Blazing Skies	Ft. Bragg 82nd Museum	Vet Haven North	Original 1	3/26/2005 3/23/2015	\$500.00 (donation) \$225.00 (donation)
Hilter	Ft. Bragg 82nd Museum	Vet Haven North	Original 1	3/26/2005 3/23/2015	\$500.00 (donation) \$225.00 (donation)
Ceiling Murals	Ft. Bragg 82nd Museum	Vet Haven North	Original 1	3/26/2005 3/23/2015	\$1,00.00 (donation) \$225.00 (donation)
		Mark Baldwin - Clinton Twp., NJ	2	3/23/2015	\$225.00 (Hold for sale)
First In	Ft. Bragg 82nd Museum	Vet Haven North	Original 1	3/26/2005 3/23/2015	\$500.00 (donation) \$225.00 (donation)
Big and Little Steves		Ft. Bragg 82nd Museum Vet Haven North	1 2	3/26/2005 3/23/2015	\$225.00 (donation) \$225.00 (donation)
Mother's Day Card		Ft. Bragg 82nd Museum Vet Haven North	1 2	3/26/2005 3/23/2015	\$250.00 (donation) \$225.00 (donation)
Airborne Cartoon Humor		Vet Haven North	1	3/23/2015	\$225.00 (donation)
Airborne Units - Old & New		Vet Haven North	1	3/23/2015	\$225.00 (donation)
Airborne Walk - Ft. Benning, G	A	Vet Haven North	1	3/23/2015	\$225.00 (donation)

Airborne Bravado		Vet Haven North	1 ,	3/23/2015	\$225.00 (donation)
General Anthony McAuliffe		Vet Haven North	1.4	3/23/2015	\$225.00 (donation)
Original Members Test Platoon		Vet Haven North	1	3/23/2015	\$225.00 (donation)
Saylorsburg Pavilion	R. T.	Allentown, Pennsylvania 18106-9638	Original	5/4/2018	\$1,200.00
		J.B.W. Bangor, Pennsylvania 18013	1	5/31/2018	\$225.00 (Free to owner)
Mountain Stream	R. O.	Basking Ridge, NJ 07920 (moved) St. Petersburg, Florida 33703	Original	11/9/2018	\$737.47
	Nancy Baldwin (Gift from Ralph Obenauf with an upgraded frame.)	Lebanon, NJ 08833 (Clinton Twps.)	Original	11/14/2018	\$904.00
		J.B.W. Bangor, Pennsylvania 18013	1	11/16/2018	\$225.00 (Free to owner)
		Mark Baldwin Lebanon, NJ 08833 (Clinton Twps.)	2	11/18/2018	\$225.00 (Hold for sale)