

THE LEGEND OF JOHN BROWN by Jacob Lawrence

Jacob Lawrence created a series of 22 paintings in 1941 about the Legend of John Brown. Brown was an abolitionist who felt the need to end slavery in the early to mid-1800s. The screen prints of Lawrence's paintings in this exhibition were created in 1977 with oversight by Lawrence and tell the story of life of John Brown. Lawrence was known for his many series of paintings such as the "Migration" series and "Struggle" series. He creates storyboard panels with written words and then creates the art. His work is like today's graphic novels.

After you view all 22 screen-prints of the "Legend of John Brown" series:

- Select one print that you connect with personally.
- Write the sentence seen under your selected print on the lines below.
- Then in the open space underneath your sentence, write how this sentence relates to you or makes you feel. Is it a personal struggle that you experienced? Is it something you feel strongly about like John Brown did? You may use any form of writing to create a short piece about your feelings.

Prizes for the top 2 writings will receive gift cards to SVRC Marketplace of Saginaw:
1st place \$100 and 2nd place \$50.

Use the reverse side if needed.

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View the exhibition: marshallfredericks.net/off-kilter

If you want to take it with you and submit it on or before the deadline of April 20, 2023, scan or photo your entry form and email it to: mfsm@svsu.edu