1. What is the artist's real name?

Griff Combs

1. Do they have an artist name or alias that they go by?

Combs

1. Is there a signature "style" to this artist's work? What kinds of mediums do they use? Do they stick within one medium, or do they continually re-portray the same theme using different mediums? (3+ sentences)

Combs likes to photoshop images of famous figures (particularly politicians) with booze in their hands. He does this to emphasize how those who we appoint to represent us can make brash decisions, much like a drunkard. The bottle of booze signifies someone being drunk with power, as their choices undoubtedly affect those around them more than themselves.

1. What is the message of this artist? What are they trying to tell the world? Why do they create art?

Combs’ message is that we cannot let a minority of wealthy, power addicts dictate our day to day lives, as those who control our world are blinded by the gifts we have given, and that they have so *graciously* taken. Combs creates his art to try and give people a better understanding of how our leaders become drunk with power. Plain and simple. No matter how deep down the rabbithole our leaders have fallen, they still get up and represent us.

1. Where were they born? How old are they now?

Combs was born in Massachusetts in an undisclosed location, though anyone could dig for birth records. He says he is in his early 30’s, but he looks closer to 16.

1. What does a day in the life of this person look like? Where do they work, or do they? (3+ sentences)

Since his work looks like a joke at first glance, Combs isn’t a well-known artist as his work hasn’t gained much traction. This reality is fine with him as he just wants to get his feelings out into the world. Ironically, he works for the local police dispatch in his hometown of █ █ █ █ █ . He believes he can fix the system from the inside out, and is working to understand it better. Think of Agent Mulder from X-Files.

1. What kind of a teenager were they? (3+ sentences)

Combs was a major trouble-maker in school, and although he was more than capable of excelling, he didn’t have much interest in his studies until after high school. Though he liked to get in trouble, it was never for anything past teenage mischief, as he was too polite to be a true menace. He spent most of his teenage years daydreaming about what he thinks he could be, rather than acting.

1. What is their dream or goal in life, or what is their idea of a perfect life, or do they have one?

Combs prefers to lay low and has a close group of friends. His perfect life is the one he’s living.

1. What is one of their biggest fears?

Rejection.

1. What is one of their favorite childhood memories?

Climbing trees. He always liked to see how high he could go before he chickened out.

A person in a suit and tie

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1. What is the artist's real name?

Saradign Islatek

1. Do they have an artist name or alias that they go by?

Free Rome

1. Is there a signature "style" to this artist's work? What kinds of mediums do they use? Do they stick within one medium, or do they continually re-portray the same theme using different mediums? (3+ sentences)

They were inspired by John Lennon’s contemporary art for its simplicity. The primary medium they use is Paint on Windows OS as it is as basic as digital painting can get. They tend to stick to this medium as it allows for a wide range of creativity; and allows for their limited art skills to be a factor that isn’t considered.

1. What is the message of this artist? What are they trying to tell the world? Why do they create art?

Free Rome’s message lies within their mood for that day. Their true identity is hidden, so it allows for the art to be open for full interpretation. This allows the viewer to fully inject themselves into the painting and connect it with their own life. They create art to show how anyone can implement their emotions into a work that people can appreciate: so long as you’re willing to put in the work.

1. Where were they born? How old are they now?

They were born in Hollywood, CA. Which explains their attraction to the contemporary art scene. They are in their early twenties.

1. What does a day in the life of this person look like? Where do they work, or do they? (3+ sentences)

Free Rome has a blog that they like to post on, but does not show pictures of themselves. Here, they detail their day to day which consists of waking up, making a healthy breakfast, and working out. For work, they are a contract photoshop artist, and use that time to conceptualize their next painting.

1. What kind of a teenager were they? (3+ sentences)

Free Rome was a very quiet teenager who just went through the motions of life while absorbing all of the information in the world around them. In school, they were studious, but never high achieving for the fear of putting themselves out there. Heavy into reading and pop culture, they would constantly be found with a book in their hand. Nonetheless, a somewhat lackadaisical hobbyist as a teen has gone on to be a revered artist in their community.

1. What is their dream or goal in life, or what is their idea of a perfect life, or do they have one?

Their dream goal is to inspire those around them to become more introspective. They feel it is important to dissect the psyche, so as to have a deeper understanding of the self and become enlightened.

1. What is one of their biggest fears?

Free Rome’s biggest fear is to become afraid to try new things. More importantly, they are afraid of falling in a spiral of laziness that makes them succumb to an unfulfilling life.

1. What is one of their favorite childhood memories?

Their favorite childhood memory is when they discovered they didn’t need to talk nearly as much as those around them to be comfortable with themself.

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1. What is the artist's real name?

Richard Long

1. Do they have an artist name or alias that they go by?

Q-Tip

1. Is there a signature "style" to this artist's work? What kinds of mediums do they use? Do they stick within one medium, or do they continually re-portray the same theme using different mediums? (3+ sentences)

Rich makes art using Q-Tips with a style similar to impressionist art. He doesn’t put out many works in a year as it is a very lengthy process. His style stays near impressionism as he likes to see how something as trivial as a Q-Tip can lead to beautiful works of art that reflect the realism French artists were going for when this style first arose.

1. What is the message of this artist? What are they trying to tell the world? Why do they create art?

Rich doesn’t have a message. He just likes to create art and push himself to the best of his abilities and then some. So, he creates art to impress himself. He’s an impress-ionist.

1. Where were they born? How old are they now?

Rich was born in Shelburne, Vermont. He just turned 57.

1. What does a day in the life of this person look like? Where do they work, or do they? (3+ sentences)

Rich is a Senior Data Analyst at a textile company, so his love of cotton and other materials is deep seeded. His days usually begin around 5 AM and end somewhere around 9 PM. His job is rather easy, actually, so he gets home around 11 AM after working for just 4 hours. Thus, he has plenty of time to work on his craft.

1. What kind of a teenager were they? (3+ sentences)

Rich was a normal teenager for his time. Growing up in the 70’s and 80’s brought forth a slough of hardships and fads that he was a part of such as shoulder pats (hardships) and White Adidas Sneakers (Fads). He was well liked by his peers and teachers, but he never cared much for school besides math.

1. What is their dream or goal in life, or what is their idea of a perfect life, or do they have one?

Rich is *rich*. He is kind of greedy, so his job as well as his notoriety as an artist have set him well-off. Of course, he could be richer. So his perfect life isn’t quite here yet.

1. What is one of their biggest fears?

Debt.

1. What is one of their favorite childhood memories?

Rich created a highly successful lemonade stand in his pre-teens that was bolstered for its creative approach to marketing. He was basically the shamwow guy, but with a lemon, a juicer. The charisma was there.