

Picture Perfect

Ms. Filmore Shares her Life as an Artist

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Whether she's dancing down the hallway, crouching over enlargers in the darkroom or conducting an art class, Ms. Kev Filmore, Upper School Art Fundamentals and Photography teacher, is always full of energy and enthusiasm.

"I really enjoy Ms. Filmore's class," said sophomore Louise Chapman, a photography student, "The projects allow you to explore photography while giving you an opportunity to express your own creativity."

Ms. Filmore was born in Philadelphia and grew up in Westchester, NY. The single working mother of three was once a student at an all-girls Catholic school similar to Sacred Heart.

"I am not very different now

and photos comes from looking at the world through different perspectives.

"I always spent a lot of time watching and looking," said Ms. Filmore. "I was very into observing when I was little."

She switched out of parochial school because it did not have an art program. High school teachers and college professors played a big role in inspiring Ms. Filmore to become an artist. She assigns many art projects to her classes that she was assigned when she was in high school.

Ms. Filmore's father was in the music business and her mother was an art teacher. Her parents also had a big role in her career choice.

said.

Ms. Filmore finds teaching to be the perfect answer for her because she can spend time with her teenage son as well as interact with other teenagers.

"Being with teenage kids is a norm for me," said Ms. Filmore. "I feel very at home with that age group."

Ms. Filmore started teaching art classes at Sacred Heart three years ago. She worked previously as a director in advertising, a freelance illustrator, a packaging designer and a mentor to gifted handicapped children.

"I could draw realistically and I liked that edge of reality involved in photography," said Ms. Filmore.

Ms. Filmore's children are Kate,

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Ms. Kev Filmore shares her love of photography with students as she examines a contact sheet.

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than I was in high school," she said. "I worked very hard but I definitely knew how to have a good time."

Ms. Filmore graduated from high school in 1972 and was greatly influenced by the creative atmosphere of the '70s.

"I think I'm a real ex-hippy. I think I represent that generation. I care about humanity and peace. I care about women and women's rights. That's a big part of me," said Ms. Filmore.

Ms. Filmore's inspiration for art

"When I was growing up, I was encouraged to be an artist," said Ms. Filmore. "Out of four kids, I was the only one to become a visual artist."

Ms. Filmore attended the Philadelphia College of Art. When she wasn't at her six-hour art classes or doing homework, she was out with her friends.

"My friends and I would go out and see Billy Joel and Bette Midler for just a couple of dollars since they hadn't gotten really hot yet," she

22, and recently graduated from the New School of Manhattan, studying to be a social worker. Gavin is a freshman at Northeastern University studying finance, and John is a 14 year old freshman at Croton High School.

On the weekends Ms. Filmore spends time with her family and visits galleries and museums.

"I go out with friends. I love to hear live music and dance," she said.



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Shakespeare Beckons Students to England

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"Shall I compare thee to a summer's day?" asked playwright and poet William Shakespeare in one of his famous love sonnets.

While Sacred Heart students might not be asking the same question this summer, the students who travel with Upper School drama teacher Ms. Nancy Maloy to London, England, this summer will be able to spend a summer's week taking theatre workshops, sightseeing and seeing plays.

The group will spend first day in the Stratford area visiting the University of Oxford, Christ Church, the Bodleian Library and the Sheldonian Theatre. However, the most exciting stops will include a

The girls will also take a series of acting workshops and attend several plays including one at the West End Theater in London.

Senior Caroline Amen, who will travel to London with Ms. Maloy,

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was attracted by the unique activities and trips.

"The workshops and the multiple theatre trips drew me in immediately," said Caroline.

Senior Megan McGrath, who is also going on the trip, said, "The city of London has always interested me, and the idea of taking an acting workshop and visiting Shakespeare's birthplace was irresistible. I can't wait to go."

The theater trip to London was coordinated by Casterbridge Tours, a company that plans cultural and educational tours for both college and high school students.

A representative from Casterbridge Tours visited Sacred Heart on February 11 and a reception was held for the representative and interested students.

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visit to Stratford-upon-Avon, the birthplace of the famous playwright William Shakespeare, and to the William Shakespeare Center.

