

Bold colors, iconic images mark Luc's artworks

Anyone interested in the work of Northbrook artist Terry O. Luc should not expect polite pastels or romantic pastoral scenes.

His art on display at the Lloyd Shin Gallery, 1141 Church St., in Northbrook, presents almost 3-D images through a calculated use of acrylics that could stop an onlooker in his tracks.

"Through bold imagery and color, I create art that commands attention. I want my art to make a presence in the room. I create paintings that cannot be ignored but instead demand attention from the viewer," Luc said. "I am greatly influenced by pop culture, especially of the years of my parents' generation and my years growing up."

"Sometimes my paintings look like pulp fiction book covers for words that were never written. The random mix of imagery invites the

viewer to draw his or her own meanings," he added.

Luc is also fascinated by political figures like President Barack Obama and former Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld, as well as cultural icons such as movie stars, whose images he creates with intense color to draw an emotional response from the viewer.

The artist, who is a longtime Northbrook resident, graduated from Glenbrook North in 1977. He and his wife, Karie, settled here to raise their six children.

To see Luc's art through Jan. 28, visit the gallery, which is in the Sunset Foods shopping center. For more information, contact the gallery at (847)-656-8300 or www.lloydshin-gallery.com

A photo gallery of Friday's opening can be found at Pioneer Press's web site at www.pioneerlocal.com.



Terry Luc (center) talks with John Brandell (left) and his son John Brandell, 17, at the Lloyd Shin Gallery Friday. (Photos by Brian O'Mahoney/Staff Photographer)



This painting, titled "Fear," is part of the show of Terry Luc's work at the Lloyd Shin Gallery in Northbrook. Luc's works will be on display through Jan. 28.



Artist Terry Luc of Northbrook opened a show of his work at the Lloyd Shin Gallery Friday.



This painting by Terry Luc of Northbrook titled "Silent Sphinx" is on display at the Lloyd Shin Gallery through Jan. 28.