





## The Blue String

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**Medium:** Photography

#### Artist Statement

This is a photo of some of my father's tools that he used when he was alive. My Father passed away in March of 2019. His tools are now my tools, but I do not consider them mine. I wanted to take the photo to show the parts of my father that I never got to know. When my father was alive he would do a lot of work in his workshop. He never taught me or showed me how to use any of his tools. Whenever he would build or fix things, he preferred to do it alone. I was only 13 when my father passed, so his tools did not do me much good. Now that I am 16, I have begun to have a peaked interest in my father's tools. This photo portrays me attempting to understand my father through his tools. The colored string that is scattered throughout the photo is supposed to represent me as I am weaving my way through all of my father's tools, attempting to learn more about him and the tools. I hope this photo is able to show a piece of my father, and allow him to be known in some small way.





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## Description

This photo consists of my father's tools and a jacket of his I used for the foreground. These belongings of my father are seen with a blue string running throughout them. Having the string stand out helped relay my purpose, a son trying to learn about his father through the tools that he left behind when he passed away I set the tools up in a way that I hoped would be pleasing to the eye. I also led a string throughout the tools, in order to add depth to the photo. I used a shop light in order to give a stronger lighting. stationed myself at an angle so that I could take a photo that would give the viewer an interesting perspective. I took the photo in front of a window with a brown curtain. When I edited the photo, I desaturated everything just a little bit. Before I did this, I increased the saturation of the blue string, so that it would still have more color. Using selective coloring I increased the blue to make it brighter. Ending up with an end product, where everything in the photo was desaturated, except for the blue string.

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