

Mind the Gap

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The featured artists in this show -- Flounder Lee, Jennie Mynhier, Lesley Baker, Anila Agha and Artur Silva -- explore the gap between education and achievement in a variety of media. In the mixed media on paper "Rafae's Forgotten English Homework 1 and 2," Herron assistant professor Anila Agha interprets this gap as one between what we are taught and what we retain. Using her son's old homework papers as a template, she recreates the writings of her son in larger characters and embroiders their edges with gold metallic thread, underscoring the preciousness of learning. The mottled brown background of this composition may remind you of brain matter, where the memories of school lessons are imperfectly stored. "Once it's graded, it's out of his mind," says Agha, referring to her son. Flounder Lee, assistant professor of photography at Herron, explores the education gap between children of different economic classes in collage involving photography and maps. With his precise regimen of photographic documentation, he questions the gerrymandering of school district boundaries. Through March 28; 317-396-3886, www.harrisoncenter.org.

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