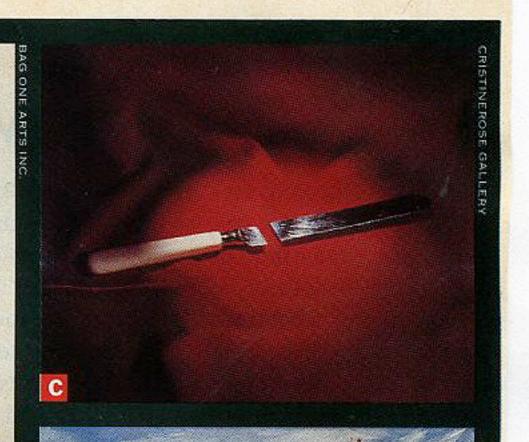
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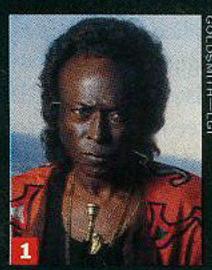
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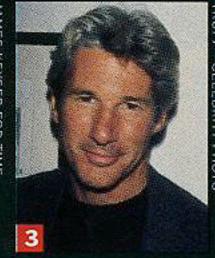


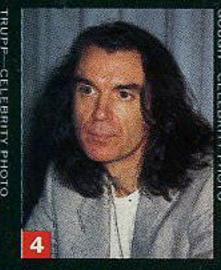


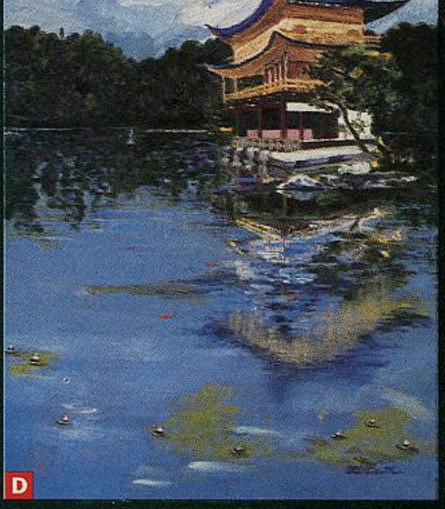
## Match the Artwork with the Superstar











Ever wonder why celebrities are more famous than other people? It's because they ooze creativity. For example, not only have MILES DAVIS, TONY BENNETT, RICHARD GERE and DAVID BYRNE elbowed themselves room at fame's bar for their performing abilities; they're also gifted visual artists. Indeed, they must be gifted, because their handiwork isn't cheap. Gere's work, currently on display in a Manhattan art gallery, sells for \$12,500 a portfolio (all proceeds to charity), and some of the late Davis' pieces are expected to fetch up to \$100,000 when they go on sale in Chicago in November.

An original Byrne from New York City's CristineRose Gallery will set connoisseurs back \$800 to \$8,500, while photocopies of Bennett's efforts recently fetched \$1,000 at a charity auction. "Look, I just paint," says the man who works under the nom de paintbrush Anthony Benedetto. "I don't try to create masterpieces. I paint, and then I edit." You be the judge. (Hint: Bennett's piece is *not* the photo of the Tibetan monks.)