

What is your job/role at Lakeside?

*Painter/drywall finisher*

How long have you worked for Lakeside?

*27 years, since June of 1998*

How did you end up at Lakeside?

*My previous contractor decided to stop paying employees.*

How did you get started in the construction industry/trades?

*My dad was a finisher through local 7.*

What is your favorite part of working at Lakeside?

*A steady paycheck and the support I received when my youngest son battled cancer*

What do you like most about the work we do here?

*I've spent the last 10 years at University of Toledo. Our crew goes above and beyond any other contractor to ensure the job is done right*

What are you most proud of in your career so far?

Do you have a favorite/most memorable/interesting project you've worked on?

*I'm proud to say I've gotten to learn every aspect of the painting industry, from sandblasting and swing stage work to faux finishes and wall covering and everything in between.*

What do you think makes our team culture unique?

*Our team at UT always has each other's backs.*

What are three words that describe your work at Lakeside?

*Punctual, profitable, perfection*

What piece of advice would you give to your younger self?

*Get into the union earlier*

What advice would you give to someone considering the trades/construction industry?

*If you're not willing to show up and work hard, don't waste my time and yours.*

Tell us about your family and hobbies.

*I've been married to my wife Jill for 21 years. I have 3 kids. I've played in bands for over 30 years.*

What kind of music do you like to listen to?

*I can appreciate most music, but tend to sway from the Pop genre.*

Ohio State, Michigan, or who cares?!?

*I don't care about college sports, but would choose Michigan for saving my son's life.*

What is one thing people don't know about you that they would be surprised to find out?

*90% of my body is tattooed.*

What is one thing on your bucket list?

*Retire early and travel more*



Robert Hawk