

Artist Statement: 26th Annual Exhibition of Art by Michigan Prisoners

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HELLO" I WOULD LIKE TO START WITH MY PICTURE  
TITLED (SCRIPTURE), ISAIAH 41:10", THE GUY KNELT  
DOWN IN A FIELD REPRESENTS THOSE OF US WHO ARE LOST  
AND CONFUSED, DRUG ADDICTION, (ANY BAD ADDICTION), IT'S A  
SAD THING TO BE CAUGHT IN A WEB OF DRUG ADDICTION, YOU  
ARE A BLESSED PERSON IF YOU MAKE IT OUT OF THE ADDICTION  
ALIVE. THE BIG HAND REPRESENTS OUR LOVED JESUS CHRIST"  
IMPLY HERE TO LET US KNOW, DO NOT FEAR, HE IS WITH US  
AND BELIEVE IN HIM AND HE WILL STAND YOU UP 😊. AND MY  
OTHER PICTURE (FALLEN CHIEF) COULD BE ANYONE OF US ALSO, THE  
CHIEF REPRESENTS ANYONE OF US THAT HAS HAD A LOT AND  
EVERYTHING TO LIVE FOR, BUT UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES OF  
THE LOSS OF A LOVED ONE DUE TO ANYTHING, CAR ACCIDENT"  
NATURAL CAUSES" MURDER" COVID-19" OUR SPIRIT AND SOUL  
HAS BEEN TEMPTED AND STRIPPED AWAY FROM US, AND LEFT  
SOME OF US WALKING AROUND FEELING HALF DEAD INSIDE ALSO  
THE WET AND HURT LOOKING CRYING EAGLE REPRESENTS  
THE CHIEF'S SPIRIT, WHICH HAS ALSO BEEN DAMAGED. BUT  
IN THE OTHER HALF, THE CHIEF'S VERY MUCH ALIVE LOOKING GREEN  
EYE REPRESENTS GOD'S GIFT WE HAVE WITHIN US OF HOPE AND  
STRENGTH TO GATHER OUR FEATHERS AND FLY AGAIN. Amen

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