

Artist Statement: 27th Annual Exhibition of Artists in Michigan Prisons

Artist Name: Don Jay the Artist: Jerome Walker

I like to think and create outside of the box.

I choose to make art to bring happiness to other people's lives.

The Finally Free piece is made strictly out of colored construction paper. The We Remember piece is for all the fallen innocent soldiers we had lost in the hood that names don't get mentioned.

It took time and patient for the art to come out. I knew I wanted or visioned it. Finally FREE colors come from a famous bird. Having it look 3D make the image looks real. Black & white for the We Remember piece because it brings out depth in the piece.

That art can be whatever you make it. If you can dream it, you can draw it and make it come alive on paper. Tony the tiger. They are just great. The bird also

symbolize me being <sup>I am</sup> FREE ~~like~~ a juvenile life who was given a second chance

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