

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

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I have been using my art the past few years to help relax from my college studies. While I am working on the intricate details of the sailing ships, I can allow my self time to think about my class essays and come up with new concepts to express. By getting into the fine details of ship rigging and finishing details, I can block out some of the daily chaos around me. I like to explore the colors and patterns that I can develop when working with the sky back grounds, as many of the unintentional patterns later become the clouds. I also like working with the blues and greens in creating the water and how to bring it alive and to make it look like its really moving. I have had many comments and suggestions over the years and I try to incorporate and learn from each painting. If we stop learning, we stop growing.

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