

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

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— I created "Venus" because Venus is the planet of love and it represents my personal Sun and Moon sign. The base is of black, representing the openness of the Universe. The Universe is where creation starts. Vines wrap around tight whatever they're on and green represents abundance. White roses represents pure love. Putting it all together create your pure love and wrap it up tight, keep the flowers full and the buds budding. Where there's pure love, everything else seems small.

— "The Garden" was created as a reminder that even in the time of COVID when we have to spend a lot of time alone, there's still beauty in the world. ~~Smell~~ Smell the sweet beautiful flowers while sipping on a tall glass of lemonade. And with all this alone time, you have lots of time to reflect on life and what's truly important.

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