

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

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I have a couple girls in my family that don't wanna sit still, dress up, look pretty all the time.

Sometimes they wanna catch a Fish, build a House, wear a hat, go to college, be a welder, own a business.

I encourage them to be the people they wanna be even if sometimes that warrants a small act of defiance. My sketch "Good Trouble" and the "Flower Rebellion" speaks to these small moments and the respect I have for my girls.

Often in prisons, art reflects the objectified angle of women so, here and there I'd like to honor the other sides. Courage, intelligence, bravery, and power.

There's time still for you to own greatness, and life enough to grow into the humans you wish to be.

Thank You For Coming out to support the P.C.A.P. *Frank Mitchell*

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