

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

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Last year, there were many news reports of police brutality around the nation. This is nothing new; where there is power, there is corruption.

News records of police violence ^{really} started to surface with the fight for equal civil rights. Selma, AL, Montgomery's Bus Boycott, many civil rights activists and simple citizens being beaten, unjustly imprisoned, or even killed.

In today's day & age, surveillance cameras are everywhere and people's phone have cameras & recording capabilities. Citizens refuse to tolerate police abusing their authority and they are making records of these abuses.

The "Blue Wall" has cracks that are showing ugly truths; truths that can't be pushed away and hidden any longer. The yellow is for light being shone on corruption. Citizens are holding those individuals accountable for their excessive behavior and those individuals are being made to pay the consequences.

No more Blue Wall of Silence!

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