

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

Artist Name: Deadeye

All my life I've loved art, through good times and those awful soul crushing moments art has held a sway over my mind. As I have spent time inside of these walls I realized I to can make something beautiful, some thing that can uplift another person, that can show their is hope. I've been to the very bottom of life. For some time depression, and suicide ruled my thoughts. The loss of love, friends, and family members over the years chipped away at my ego. I sank, and one day I read about another artist, and they had a theory that pain and suffering led them to create. So I picked up a pencil and now I can't imagine life without this process. All my pain, all my dreams come out through my process. I spend hours, days, sometimes weeks planning out the overall look of what I create. At first I struggled with stick figures, as time wore on though my work has become a manifestation of my spirit. I hope to call myself an artist, a warrior, and success.

I bore my soul, my hope, and that light that no matter how dark it gets that I will go on. Art is something eternal, something your fellow man can see for the rest of time. My greatest desire is to one day help lift another soul out of the deep, dark, balmy depths like I had been stuck in.

To me art is redemption, hope, and love.

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