

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

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As is evident, I like to take on darker themes, as well as psychedelic ones. If I had to explain why, I'd guess it's because, as a society, things like death, grief, fear, sadness, and spiritual exploration have been sugar-coated and suppressed for too long. Things are moving forward on that front, but we've got a long way to go. These are natural things, wholesome things, and what push us towards the growth of our mental and spiritual selves. I guess I just want to showcase the beauty in the darkness. On a technical level, I'm still experimenting with things like charcoals and carbon, pastels and conté, and colored pencils, so my techniques are still developing and improving, but I think I'm improving steadily in this regard, as well as my overall composition and layout skills. A wise fellow said "perfection, being unattainable, is only attained in it's pursuit." Onward and upward, then, eh?

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