

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

Artist Name: MARCOS "TUCO" RAYOS

I AM A 43 Y/O BORN CHICANO (MEX/AMERICAN) MALE. I HAVE BEEN IN THE MOOD FOR 29 YEARS. I FEEL THAT I CAN EXPRESS MYSELF MORE THROUGH MY ART. MY ART COMES FROM MY EMOTIONS ON HOW I AM FEELING AT THAT TIME. MY PROCESS IS OF PATIENCE, I NEVER FINISH MY WORK IMMEDIATELY BECAUSE I FEAR I'LL STEER AWAY FROM THE PICTURE I ENVISION IN MY MIND. I USUALLY WORK WITH GRAPHITE BECAUSE IT IS EASIER TO OBTAIN. I LOVE TO PAINT BUT CANNOT ALWAYS GET PAINT DUE TO FUNDING. PASTELS ARE TRICKY BUT I AM LEARNING TO CREATE WITH THEM FROM MY OWN EXPERIMENTS. I PREFER GRAPHITE IT FEELS MORE PERSONAL TO ME. I LOVE ALL STYLES OF ART SO I DO ALL STYLES, REALISM OR NOT ART HAS ALWAYS SPOKE TO ME SINCE I CAN REMEMBER. I HOPE PEOPLE WILL SEE MY WORKS AND GET LOST IN THE DETAILS AND UNDERSTAND THE EMOTIONS I TAKE AND PUT ON PAPER.

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