

**Artist Statement: 26th Annual Exhibition of Art by Michigan Prisoners**

Artist Name: Urbanreality Virtual Art Gallery

PRISONER CREATIVE ARTS PROJECT  
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SUPPORTING ARTIST AND POETS FROM DISADVANTAGED NEIGHBORHOODS ACROSS AMERICA WHO'S PIECES ARE LABELED AND/OR REJECTED FROM MAJOR ART GALLERIES. OUR BLENDED COMMUNITY CONSIST OF FRONT LINE WORKERS, THE REHABILITATED INCARCERATED, SOCIAL JUSTICE ADVOCATES, STRONG WOMEN AND STRONG SINGLE MOTHERS WHO REFUSE TO SHY AWAY FROM THE FACIS. WE SEEK TO STRIKE SOCIAL AWARENESS AND SOCIAL JUSTICE REGARDING CURRENT EVENTS SUCH AS, THE GLOBAL REFUGEE CRISIS, CRIMINAL JUSTICE REFORM, THE LYNCHING OF PEOPLE OF COLOR VIA LAW & POLICY, PUBLIC SCHOOL COMPLEX SYSTEM, IMMIGRATION REFORM POLICE BRUTALITY AND OTHER WELL KNOWN TACTICS AS THE LIST REMAINS UNLIMITED.  
URBAN REALITY HAS ALSO DONATED ART TO FRONT LINE WORKERS, SENIOR CITIZENS HOMES AND CHILDRENS HOSPITALS DURING THIS GLOBAL PANDEMIC WITH THE DESIRE TO REMIND AMERICANS THAT WE SHALL OVERCOME. MANY OF THE ART PIECES DEPICTED IN URBAN REALITY GALLERY ARE CREATED FROM RECYCLED MATERIALS IN A UNIQUE WAY THAT REPRESENTS THE EVERYDAY STRUGGLE MANY OF US ARE FORCED TO DEAL WITH IN OUR URBAN REALITY. TODAY, THE RESULTS OF THE GLOBAL PANDEMIC HAS SHED LIGHT ON THE LIFE STYLE MANY OF US LIVED PRIOR TO THIS PANDEMIC, WHICH INCLUDED BEING TANGLED IN A WEB OF ADDICTION AND SUBJECT TO INADEQUATE HEALTH CARE, SEVERE DEPRESSION, HUNGER, DISCRIMINATION AND DOMESTIC VIOLENCE...

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