

Artist Statement — 30th Annual Exhibition of Artists in Michigan Prisons

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Art is Power and grace, this is what guides my work. The power behind Art is that it has the capability to provoke feelings, good or bad it lets you know that you are alive. I start my work by listening to any kind of music that gives me a emotional high or a emotional low. This allows my creative process to start and from there my work is created. My 1st piece is a Caged bird named Lilly. Lilly is beautiful and alluring, she is Caged like me. Lilly found a way to get out by carrying her faith with her necklace around her neck and her daughter NY'AVIA. Instead of a prison she now considers herself protected and set free. Life is what you make it. My second piece is Adam a wounded soldier with PTSD, and a service dog. Adam has one arm due to the war, he is still strong but with a bowed head. His strength is asking for help and accepting it through the service dog max. My last piece is a dream catcher. Natives consider this law