

Artist Statement — 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Exhibition of Artists in Michigan Prisons

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Having an partner on the outside world  
And not having the freedom to  
express myself to her Bully has me  
trapped in silent world of heart.

This picture has two people reaching  
out for each other unable to fully connect  
drowning in all the noise all around them.

There is a gray cloud at the top gapping the  
way bridge between the unspoken words.

Will they make it or will they  
simply fade away.