

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

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This is my 6<sup>th</sup> year entering projects in the PCAP show. I think the quality of my crocheted items has greatly improved over these years -- A far cry from what Grandmother taught me over 65 years ago. When I started crocheting again<sup>in prison</sup> the guys asked what stitch I was doing? "Whatever G'ma taught me." My handpuppets for this year were an easy choice. Everyone who sees them are very impressed and all have a good laugh. Many want a set of their own. 3 friends had newborns this year which gave practice to make the baby outfits.

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