

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

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This is my second year in the art show. Most of my art work this year was going back to basics. Because I can only see with one eye I have no depth perception. So this year I worked on shading, creating texture and depth. I want to continue to grow and learn in my creative skills. I hope that everyone will enjoy looking for the little things in my work (Nature's secrets) and that my work can bring a smile to the viewer.

I'm already working on creating a few new techniques for next year. Hint black light and 3D pieces. Please feel free to drop words of encouragement and I hope you enjoy the art show this year.