

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

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I am a Juvenile Cifer, who was recently resentenced, but I continue the fight to get sunlight to the prosecution suppressing evidence, that helps prove I am innocent. I am currently waiting for the Innocent Project. I choose to make art, because the challenges it presents and the calming feeling I get, when I'm in the zone. My piece "ANTI-SOCIAL" is a play on the diagnosis, I received in my first psychological assesment, in prison, because they make it seem like 'it is so serious and on par with bipolar and other major diagnosis. My piece "In The Eye of the Beholder," is inspired by the lifted ~~feeling~~ feeling we all experience, when we see beautiful artwork. and the fact that we all react differently to what we see. The process of making these pieces, was a "let it flow" mode, based on the titles, I chose pencil, mostly, because I can manipulate the depth. I chose "Cool Grey" in "Anti Social," because it represents the "steel-look" antisocial people give. I would like people to understand, antisocial behavior gets a bad rap, sometimes silence is good!

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