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In May of 2024 I took a graphite class to try to learn how to draw, grid and shade. Before this class I'd never tried to draw or shade anything. I just assumed I couldn't. About two or three sessions into the class I started the 'Royal Roots' drawing just to see what I'd come up with. I had done a few small sketches before this one but ^{these} ~~they~~ were the first skulls I'd done and the first full page drawing too.

'Not Again' was my third full page drawing but the first with birds, ~~mountains~~ hills, branches ~~and~~ ^{on} water.

While drawing/shading I had to stop and work on other projects because I didn't have the skill or knowledge to get the results I wanted. Though I worked on it a few times a week it took me almost two months to finish. I finished it almost exactly three months after my first graphite class.