

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

Artist Name: Brian Boody

I grew up in rural south-west Michigan. From a very young age I was attracted to the arts. As a child I used to draw comic book heroes, sharks, and dinosaurs. As a teenager and young adult I played in a few garage bands. I bought my first set of paints in 2017 and am a self taught artist. I enjoy painting country and wildlife scenes as it reminds me of my youth and it was my primary subject for some time. With this exhibit I've tried to open up and show a broad diversity of subjects. A few pieces are very personal and depict subjects that have had a major impact in my life, some good, some bad. Art brings me great joy. ~~as~~ I enjoy the process of taking a blank canvas and making it into something beautiful. But perhaps the greatest joy is the happiness Art can bring to others. Art can start conversations, Art can bring us closer. Art is joy in a world that seems lacking. I sincerely hope my art can bring you joy!

- Brian Boody

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