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This is my first year mustering the courage to submit something I have drawn to this exhibition. I have been drawing for the last few years but before that I could not draw a stick person. So, one day I had enough of buying cards from other prisoners for my loved ones and I decided to force myself to make my own greeting cards. Those beginning attempts were very frustrating and discouraging, but I never gave up. Now, I can make my own greeting cards for any occasion, holiday, or reason that sparks my interest. I now even make cards for those who ask me but not for profit, but for the experience / practice of drawing. I always try to select something to draw to fit the mood of the person, their theme / event, or just to bring a smile to their face. I use my time drawing to escape the harsh reality of daily prison life and to transport myself to a place of peace and serenity. That allows the days to go by with ease. I just wish my Mother was here to see, what I've pushed myself to accomplish but I know she is looking down on me and smiling.

\* Feel Free to make edits and to shorten my statement to fit your needs.