



## Flow of Time

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**Medium:** Color Pencil, Watercolor

### Artist Statement

The piece I made is an expression of my current self. From the time I was able to pick up a crayon, art has been one of my closest friends. Growing up I had very few friends and was often alone, but art allowed me to express myself in a different way. As I got older, art allowed me to make friends with similar interests and improve my skills as we competed with each other. Art was able to get me through hard times in my life as a way of escapism. I realized that lately I have come out of my shell and wanted to create a portrait that expressed that. I used watercolors and colored pencils rather than my usual graphite and ink preference to express the change in world view. The koi fish are traditionally seen as a symbol of perseverance in the face of adversity, so I used them as a sort of self victory flag over my past self and struggles. The navy blue background represents stability, and how I've become far more stable in my life. All in all, this piece was a self discovery journey, and allowed me to reflect on my self growth.

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