



Vulnerabilities

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School: Central Valley High School
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Medium: Colored Pencil and Watercolor on Watercolor Paper

Artist Statement

I wanted to take a new direction with my recent work, compared to other pieces I've attempted to make earlier this school year. I wanted to capture a more raw, emotional, and freeform feeling. I am a perfectionist and a procrastinator, and will often neglect to create artwork at all because I know these things about myself. I always envision the pieces I create turning out in a very specific, technical style. When I can't achieve this, I become incredibly frustrated. I decided it was time to let go of the strict forms I always imagined, and let this frustration loose. Using organic subjects placed into a surreal, abstracted context, I've been able to channel what I feel into images that represent my emotions, bare and raw. Striking and even disturbing content has never been something I have shied away from artistically, and have in fact embraced, but my hope is to walk a line between bizarre and beautiful with grace; that would be the ultimate achievement.

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