



Melanie Hayes - 2011

Be Strong

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Medium: Prismacolor colored pencils, Copic markers, Sakura gelly roll white pen.

Artist Statement:

With the past year still in mind, my whole idea was strength. So I tried to think of what seems weak, but is not. I thought of a porcelain doll. Then I tried to think of a way to show that the porcelain doll was damaged but staying strong, so I added the cracks across her face. The one white eye went along with the cracks damaging her face. Then I tried to make the rest of her resemble a porcelain doll, and that's why she has a sun hat and a fancy dress. For the background I tried to make it resemble a picture frame, which she was stepping out of, this goes along with the message. Green is said to be a color that represents optimism, tranquility, and resilience, so I made the main color green and the rest of the colors happened to fall into place.

Description:

Starting with the background, I tried to make the black border/background resemble a picture frame. I drew a young girl who resembles a porcelain doll with cracks across her face. The cracks and her outfit are what help push the porcelain doll look. I used green, red, brown and orange, all of these colors compliment each other to harmonize the piece.

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