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# Clear Mind

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**Medium:** Drawing

### **Artist Statement:**

My art style consists of sketches made with pencil and paper. I have tried many other art forms but in the end, I like sketching people. The reason I like sketching people is because I love how they are always different, and give off a variety of emotions. This certain piece I used charcoal pencils and picked the image of this person for one reason, it shows the exact emotion I feel when I am drawing. It shows tranquility and all the thoughts and stress that is slowly being washed away by water. When I draw my mind stops thinking of anything like school, or what's going on in the world at that moment, but rather it helps me appreciate what I have at that moment. Whenever I draw I am in a positive mood, and am surrounded by my family with a movie playing in the living room. I tend to draw in an environment filled with laughter and joy, no matter what I am trying to draw. This one piece though reminds me of some of my favorite memories. It's not exactly about what is in the piece, but when I made the piece. My family and I have this tradition where we sleep in a tent on our property. This summer, 2020, we probably slept in it for a whole month. We would head in the tent at 6pm and eat in there watching old movies on our VHS TV. After two or three movies we would wind down a bit but still the joy from that day lasted until we all closed our eyes and slept. In the morning when we all woke up, the sun was up and shining down on us, which truly was one of the best ways to wake up.

### **Description:**

In my drawing, I used charcoal pencils for the shading, and I used a pen and marker for the hair. The image in my piece is a man with his eyes closed and head tilted up slightly. He has his hand resting on the spot near his shoulder and neck. For my shading I did not give everything shade, I left my highlights white to show more contrast. The shading, though dark, looks soft rather than harsh. In my drawing I made sure to incorporate my favorite parts of the image I had chosen, which was the shadows of the eyelashes and of the ear and earring.

**Status:** Exhibit only