



# Hawaiian Bloom

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## **Hawaiian Bloom**

**Medium:** Watercolor

### **Artist Statement:**

I did this art piece because I wanted to do some sort of art piece as a birthday present for my best friend, since I didn't have the opportunity to buy her something. For the longest time, I wanted to do a watercolor painting, by that point, I started brainstorming ideas about what subject to paint. The final decision was Plumeria flowers surrounded by a Hawaiian leaf spread in the back. The straight lines and white space were to show a more modern look. Generally, I try to eliminate white space, however, this piece was also chosen to step out of my comfort zone. I used bamboo brushes, watercolor, one extra piece of paper, and a wet paper towel on stand by. After sketched out it was taped to a board with blue painter's tape. The extra piece of paper provided, trial and error space, and protection from accidents. Then when the leaves were all done, the Plumeria flowers were next. The process was very difficult, starting with a light color then layered till it was dark. The wet paper towel, provided as a blending tool. The most difficult part with the flowers was the paint bleeding into the lighter areas. Once that was all taken care of, several weeks later due to our hybrid schedule, the tape was peeled off. Put my name on it, and called it as well as done.

### **Description:**

Plumeria flowers with Hawaiian leaves surrounding in the background arranged in a modern look.

**Status:** Exhibit only