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Stares

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Medium: Acrylic paint on canvas

Artist Statement:

I am an artist because I show how I am. I show how I feel through the paint, and every thought is embedded into the canvas. This piece shows how isolating it can feel to be stared at, and how overwhelming it can be. For the viewers, I hope they use their subconscious mind to understand, and not the conscious mind. Note the use of primary colors when viewing this piece.

Description:

Originally, this piece was going to be something completely different, but not because I wanted it to. The sketch I had for this was influenced by how I view myself, and how my past and present intervene. I kept it understandable, and something that the viewer would be able to relate to; in other words, I kept it comfortable. But, with my art, comfort isn't the goal. My goal is to make the viewer rethink; to make them uncomfortable. I sat down with my bag of acrylic paint, my familiar brushes, and I painted for four hours, in the middle of the night. I didn't think anything out, and I didn't try to make it look pretty. It's raw, without thought. That is the new goal, and you're seeing it.

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