

Brittle

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Medium: Acrylic

Artist Statement

My art is how I express myself when words won't suffice. I intentionally keep my overtones somewhat grimy while visualizing whatever I may be personally feeling or what's in my environment.

Description

When I made this piece I was in a really bad dissociative episode. I was struggling and felt alone, my day to day expectations didn't change, but it felt like the weight of everything multiplied. I'm an anchor for a lot of people so when I go through deep lows I feel really weak but will avidly avoid stressing anyone about what's overwhelming me, hence the mask and cracking in the head. Generally, I focused on very bare visuals, color, and techniques (fingerprinting, minimal brush work) to convey a raw mentality.

Status: Exhibit only