





Life After Death

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Medium: Ink, watercolor, and colored pencils

Artist Statement

My piece is called "Life After Death", and it all started with a quote from Charles Mackay, "There is no such thing as death. In nature nothing dies. From each sad remnant of decay, some forms of life arise so shall his life be taken away before he knoweth that he hath it." This quote spoke to me and I thought it was so beautiful. I wanted to convey it with my art. My piece depicts a broken skull with a building rising from it, with fungi growing from the inside. The skull symbolizes death, with the sad remnants breaking down. As the building and mushrooms symbolize the life arising out of death. This piece conveyed what I feel and imagine as I read that quote.

Description

In the main subject of my piece, I used ink to stipple the skull, and to scumble the building and mushrooms. To color my piece I used a primary triad, with colored pencil to color the buildings a brick red, and the mushrooms a mustard yellow. I water-colored the background with light blue to complete the triad.

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