





The Price of Greed

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Medium: Acrylic paint

Artist Statement

I have always been fascinated with the moral teachings from the ancient world, especially the story of King Midas. With this piece, I wanted the viewer to feel uncomfortable with his (desperate or terrible) gaze as he turns to gold. Bloodied thorns grow from his kingly laurel as his sins overshadow his triumphs.

Description

A portrait of King Midas with gold melting down his head, suffering the consequences of his actions.

Status: Exhibit only