

## Hanahaki Disease

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## **Hanahaki Disease**

Medium: Sculpey clay, acrylic, pen, gel pen,

## **Artist Statement**

When making this piece I went through a huge range of emotions. I started out with the sculpt and after I was done I started to paint. That was when I started to hate it so I stopped working on it and worked on the background which helped keep my mind off of the face. At this point I practically gave up on the face but my mom was able to convince me to try again and took the liberty to get me better paints and supplies. I would have to thank my mom because without her this piece would have probably never happened. I'm quite happy with how it turned out, I'm more confident with black and white than I am with color so this piece was a real challenge. This is my second time making a face so I definitely have room for improvement. I've become quite attached to this piece and I have gotten many compliments from it which makes me even more proud.

## **Description**

This piece is based on the Japanese mythical disease, the Hanahaki disease. The piece shows a girl coughing up flower because her lover doesn't love her back. When you have the Hanahaki disease if your lover doesn't love you, you start to cough up flowers.

Status: Exhibit only