

Reflection

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Medium: Graphite on Paper

Artist Statement

In the beginning stages of my art piece, I started with a reference image. I then thought about the size and type of paper I wanted to use along with my medium. My original choice of medium was watercolor, but I ended up changing it to graphite, so my paper was watercolor paper. I chose graphite because although it's one of the mediums I work with most, I need to work on shading. I tried to convey meaning in my art piece by using contrast in line, value, and shape throughout my portrait. While working on this piece I tried to make areas darker than in the reference image to get across the emotions I was getting from the picture. I used personal experience to relate to my artwork by spending time looking at my reference image and seeing what feelings I felt from it. At the time of drawing this piece I was very stressed, and I really felt like I couldn't do anything to the best of my ability but when I saw my reference image I felt really motivated to draw it and get it done. Drawing this piece got me out of a hard time so I try to look at it whenever I'm down.

Status: Exhibit only