



2023 Art Portfolio Contest for High School Senior

Florida State Fairgrounds

Sponsored by Florida Dairy Farmers



32 student portfolios accepted

The Art Portfolio Contest for High School Seniors is the highlight of the Fair's Youth Art Competitions. **Out of 362 students from 77 schools in 23 counties that entered their portfolios, only 32 student portfolios were chosen by our panel of jurors to exhibit their work at the 2023 Florida State Fair.**

This year we are fortunate to have the Florida Dairy Farmers as our sponsor. Florida's dairy farmers work hard every day to provide the delicious and nutritious dairy products like milk, cheese, and yogurt that fuel creative young minds.

\$10,000 in scholarship money will be awarded this year!

First Place: \$3000 • Second Place: \$2000
10 Awards of Merit: \$500 each



Words from our judges

It was an honor and privilege to serve as the judge for this year's Florida State Fair Art Portfolio Contest. Some of the choices made were difficult, as there was such a terrific variety of work submitted for this project and a limited number of portfolios that could be included in the show. I was looking for work that displayed a strong voice and personal vision, in addition to technical skill.

I was impressed by the compelling work in the show; all of the portfolios selected displayed a maturity and vision that belied the age of the artist. It's difficult enough to produce an award-winning artwork — harder still to create an entire body of work that is of the same quality and revolves around the same theme.

This year's first and second place winners, Camille J. Faustino and Nicole A. Molina, both paint scenes of everyday life, imbued with a narrative quality, elevating the mundane to the divine. Camille's body of work extends from acrylic painting to folded paper, creating dimensional sculptures of food and people, all with a wry sense of humor. Her work speaks to her own experience, yet feels universal and accessible. Nicole's elegant paintings capture moments in time; intimate, everyday scenes between family members that are bathed in dramatic light and color.

Congratulations to all of this year's winners and participants!



1st Place
\$3000 scholarship

Camille Faustino

School: Douglas Anderson School of the Arts
County: Duval



Title: Kamayan
Media: 2D Mixed Media



Title: A Small Family Reunion
Media: 3D Mixed Media

2nd Place

\$2000 scholarship

Nicole Molina

School: New World School of the Arts

County: Miami-Dade



Title: The Absence

Media: Painting



Title: Both Roles

Media: Painting

Award of Merit

\$500 scholarship

Blythe Armstrong

School: A.W. Dreyfoos School of the Arts

County: Palm Beach



Title: Armstrong 2

Media: Painting

Title: Armstrong 5

Media: Painting



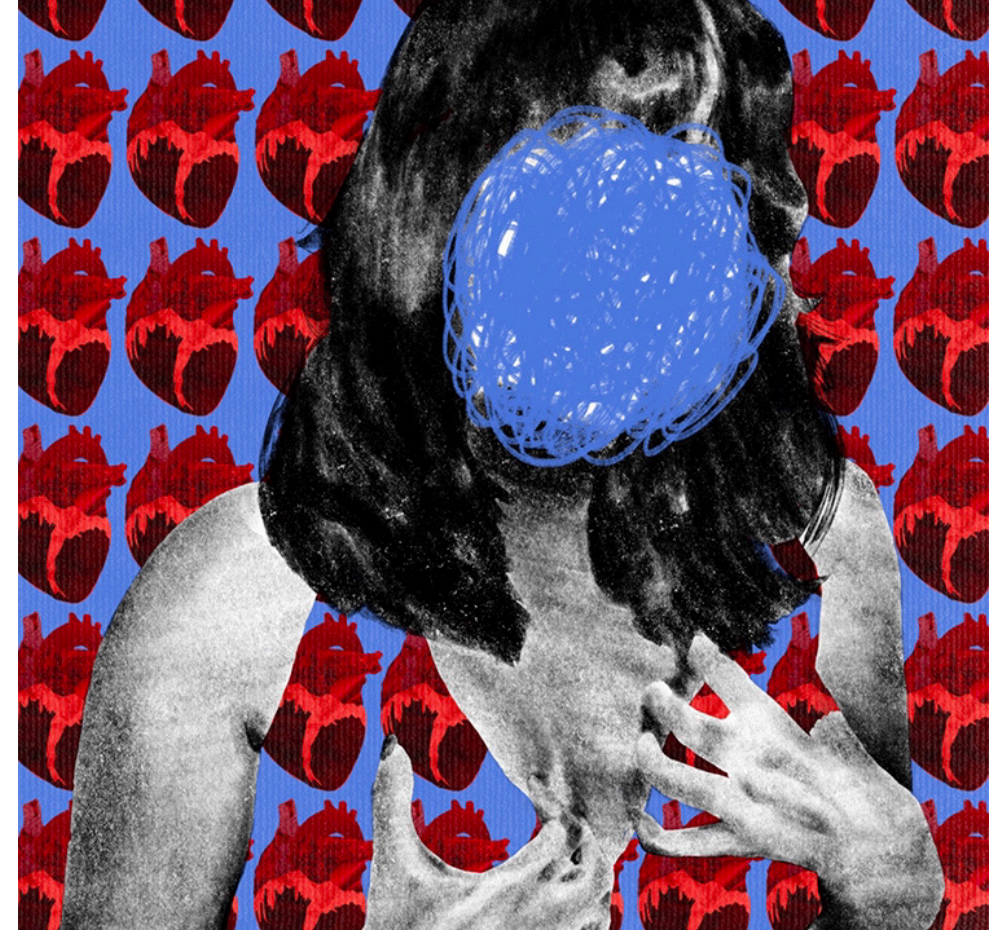
Award of Merit

\$500 scholarship

Camila Ayala

School: A.W. Dreyfoos School of the Arts

County: Palm Beach



Title: Just the Heart

Media: Digital Art

Title: Inner Voices

Media: Digital Art

Award of Merit

\$500 scholarship

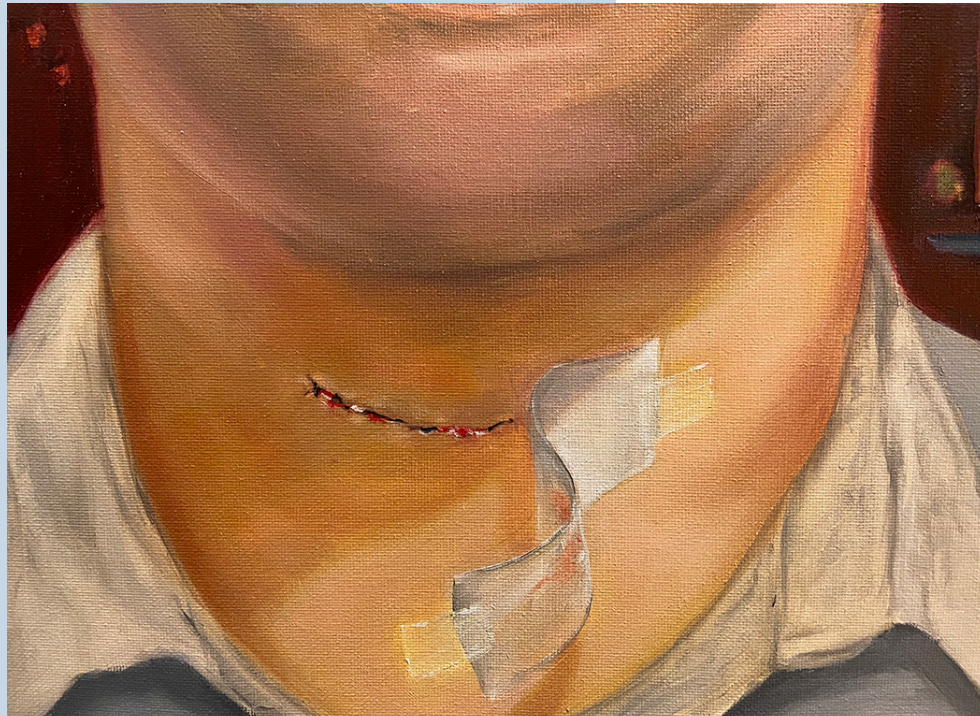
Aanya Doshi

School: American Heritage School Plantation

County: Broward

Title: The First Surgery

Media: 2D Mixed Media



Title: Past Due

Media: 2D Mixed Media

Award of Merit

\$500 scholarship

Aurora Harvel-Dillon

School: A.W. Dreyfoos School of the Arts

County: Palm Beach



Title: The Hands that Hold

Media: Drawing



Title: Moving On

Media: Drawing

Award of Merit

\$500 scholarship

Kyra Haugabook

School: Howard W. Blake High School

County: Hillsborough

Title: Kyra
Media: Photography



Title: Alexander
Media: Photography



Award of Merit

\$500 scholarship

Ella Perras

School: A.W. Dreyfoos School of the Arts

County: Palm Beach



Title: Jonah Playing Games

Media: Drawing

Title: In the Kitchen

Media: Drawing



Award of Merit

\$500 scholarship

Arysmel Rodriguez

School: New World School of the Arts

County: Miami-Dade



Title: My Shadow Follows Me
Media: 2-D Mixed Media



Title: Am I in the Wrong?

Media: 2-D
Mixed Media

Award of Merit

\$500 scholarship

Taylor Socolow

School: Coral Reef High School

County: Miami-Dade



Title: Rain Fall

Media: 2D Mixed Media

Title: Late Night Dance

Media: 2D Mixed Media



Award of Merit

\$500 scholarship

Tatiana Solano

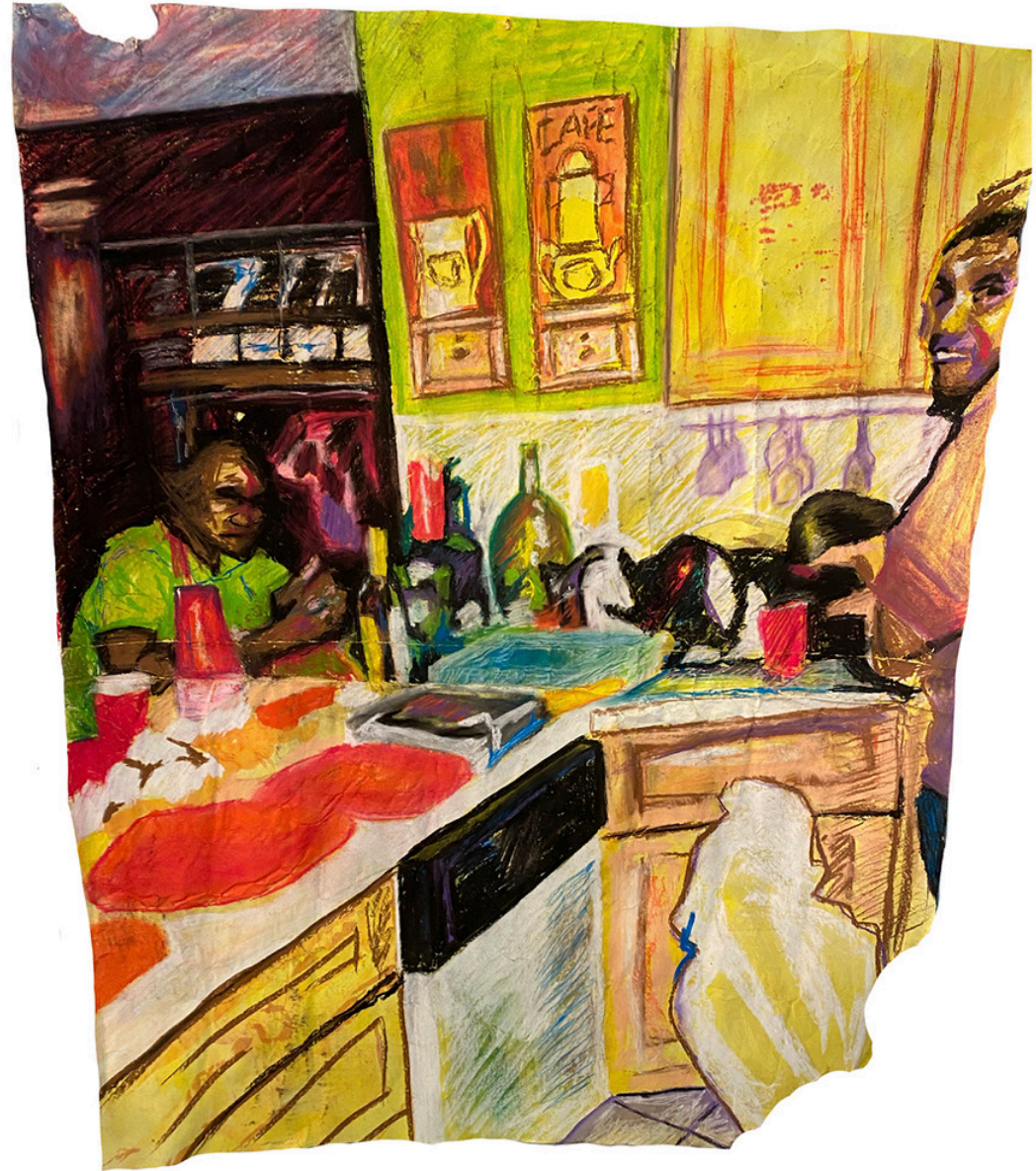
School: New World School of the Arts

County: Miami-Dade



Title: Smile Tati

Media: 2D Mixed Media



Title: Happy Holidays?

Media: 2D Mixed Media

Award of Merit

\$500 scholarship

Ava Williams

School: North Fort Myers High School

County: Lee



Title: Dinner

Media: Painting



Title: Overpass

Media: Painting

Serene Abulhaija

School: Brooks DeBartolo Collegiate High School

County: Hillsborough

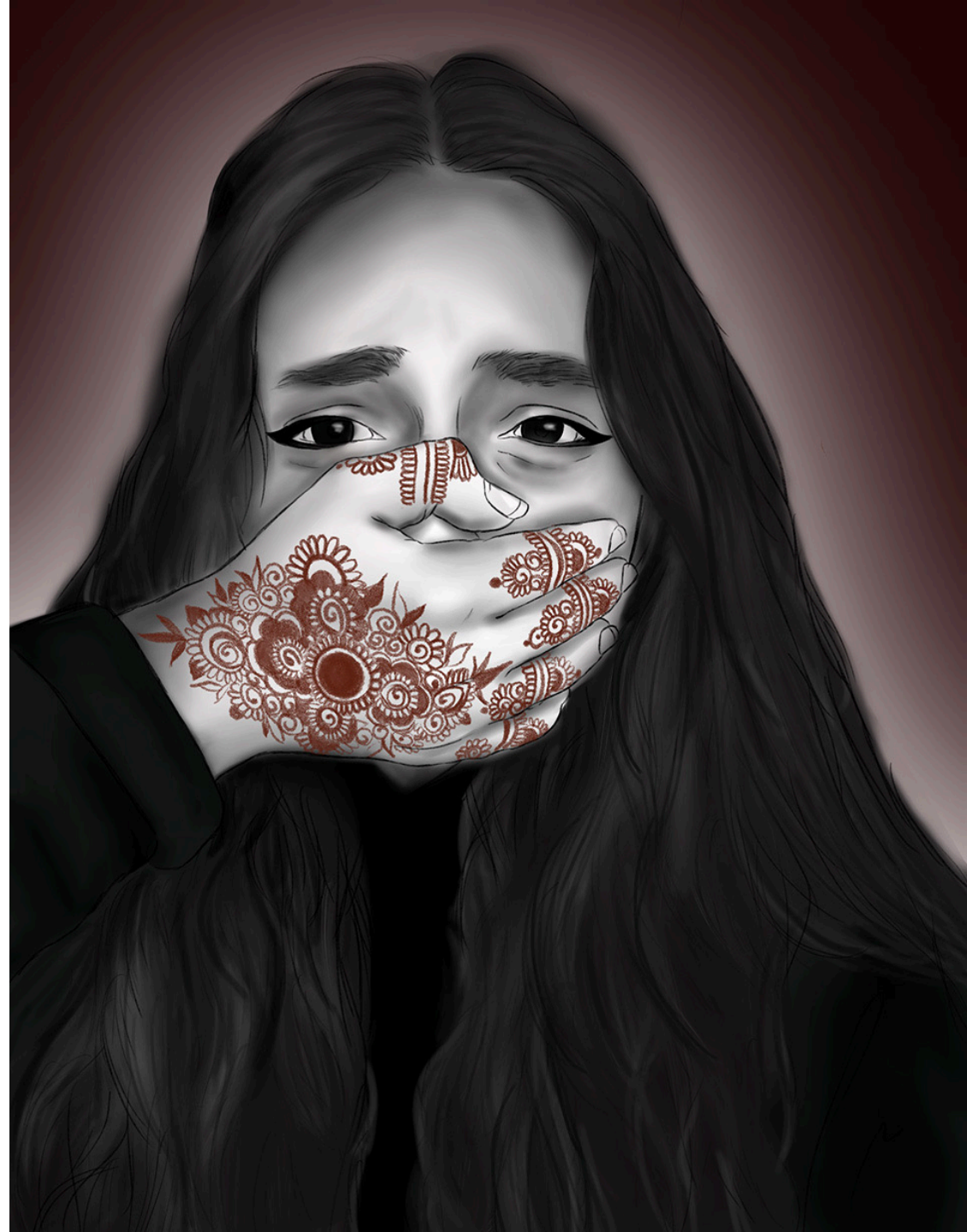


Title: Palestinian Solidarity

Media: Digital Art

Title: Effects of Cultural Appropriation

Media: Digital Art



Sophie Araque-Liu

School: Martin County High School

County: Martin



Title: Lost in a Crowd

Media: Painting

Title: Dog Days

Media: Painting



Selah Brown

School: New World School of the Arts

County: Miami-Dade



Title: Will We Ever Be Free

Media: 2D Mixed Media



Title: The Doll Test

Media: 2D Mixed Media

Marceia Ciriano Armas

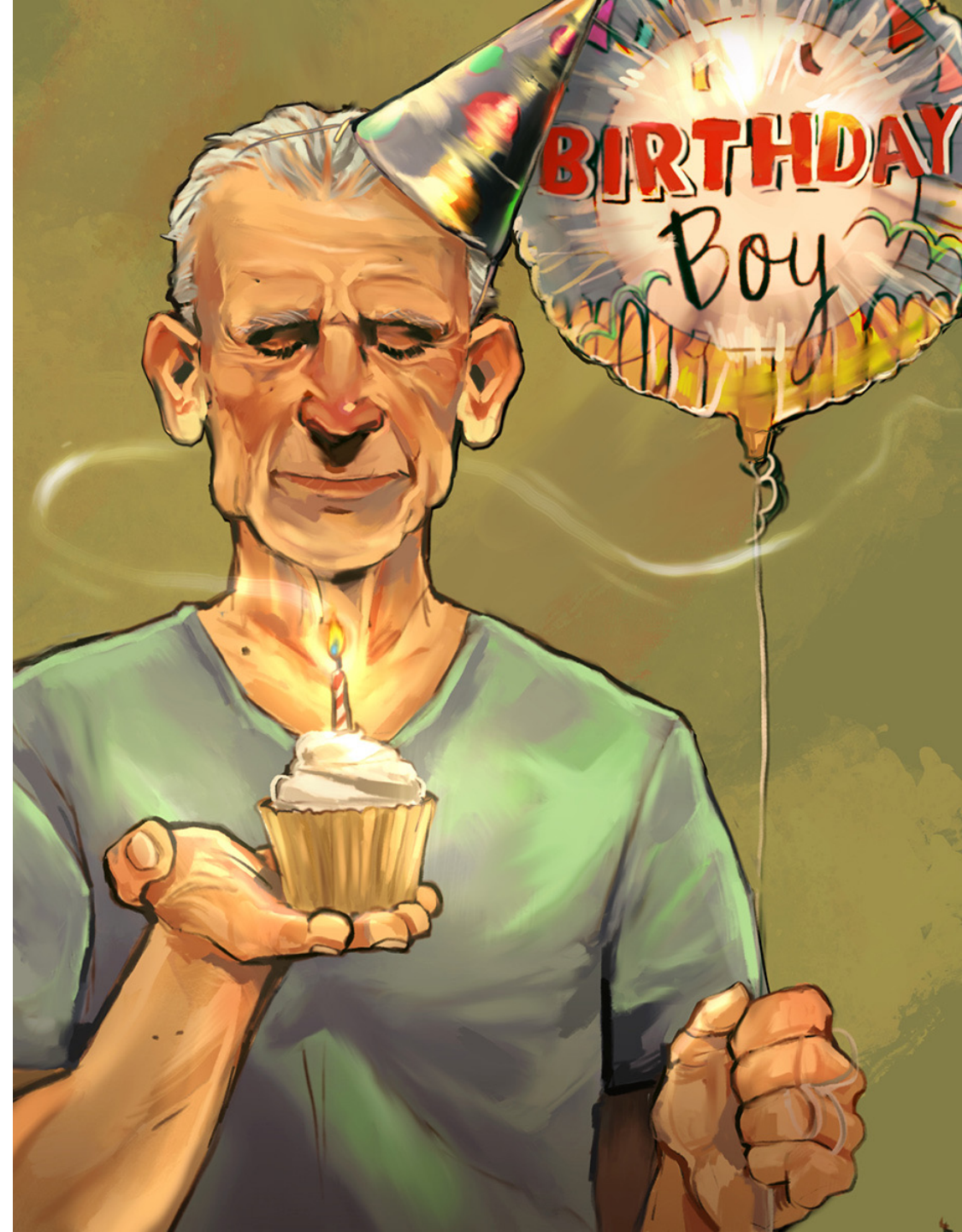
School: A.W. Dreyfoos School of the Arts

County: Palm Beach



Title: Scent of Grief

Media: Digital Art



Title: Breathe in for a Wish

Media: Digital Art

Valeria Fernandez Boidi

School: American Heritage High School

County: Broward



Title: Pizza Restaurant

Media: Architecture

Title: Art Colony
Media: Architecture



Carola Gonzalez

School: A.W. Dreyfoos School of the Arts

County: Palm Beach



Title: Project 1 - Orthographics

Media: Art-to-Wear — Fashion



Title: Project 2 - Final San Juan Colorway

Media: Art-to-Wear — Fashion

Merelyn Gonzalez

School: New World School of the Arts

County: Miami-Dade



Title: Odd One Out

Media: 2D Mixed Media

Title: Where is the Dollar

Media: 2D Mixed Media

Taliyah Gopie

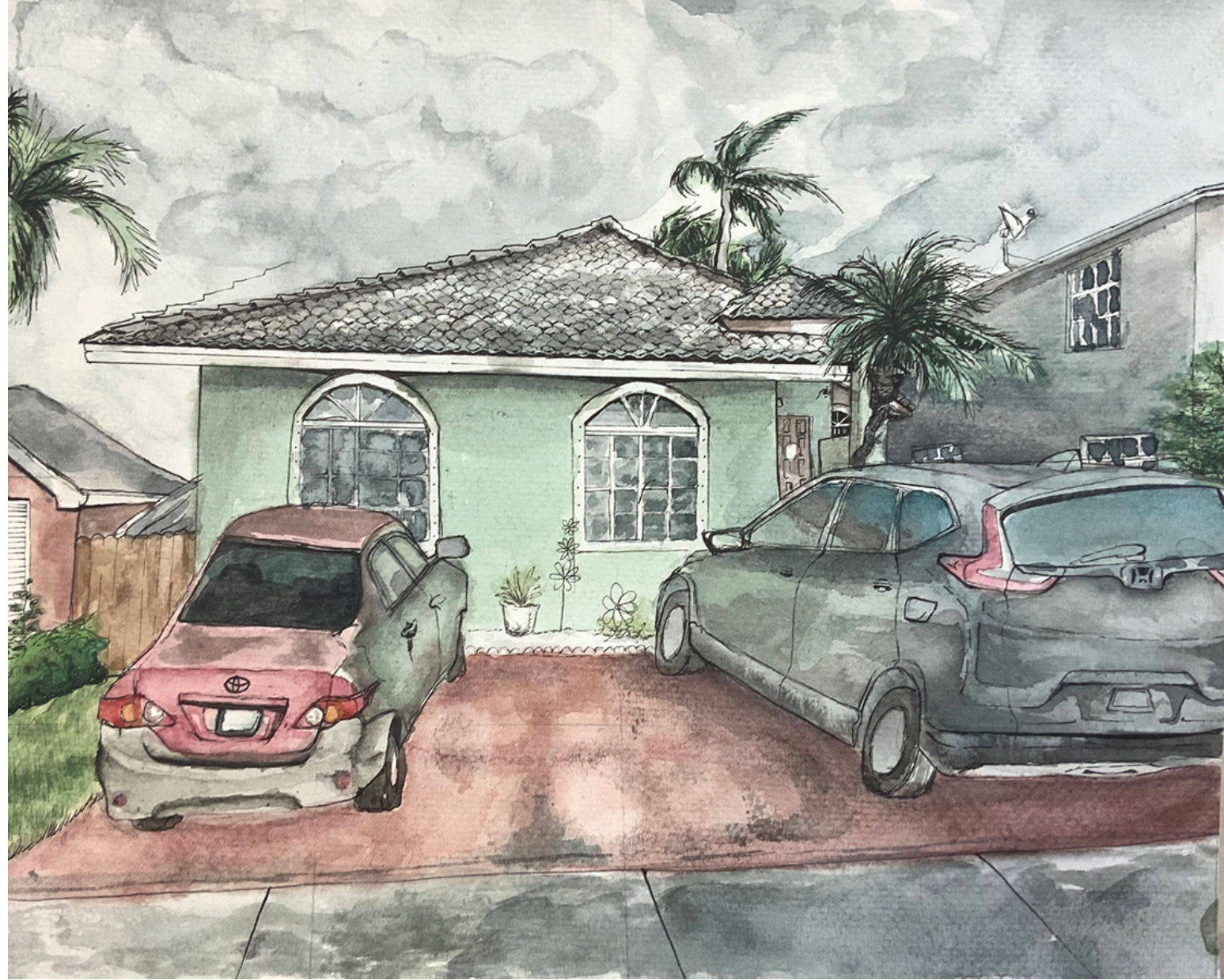
School: Coral Reef High School

County: Miami-Dade



Title: Deering Estate

Media: 2D Mixed Media



Title: H. Arguelio

Media: 2D Mixed Media

Israel Harris

Title: The Harvest
Media: Painting

School: Gibbs High School

County: Pinellas

Title: Mullet Man
Media: Painting



Alanna Hutton

School: Booker High School

County: Sarasota

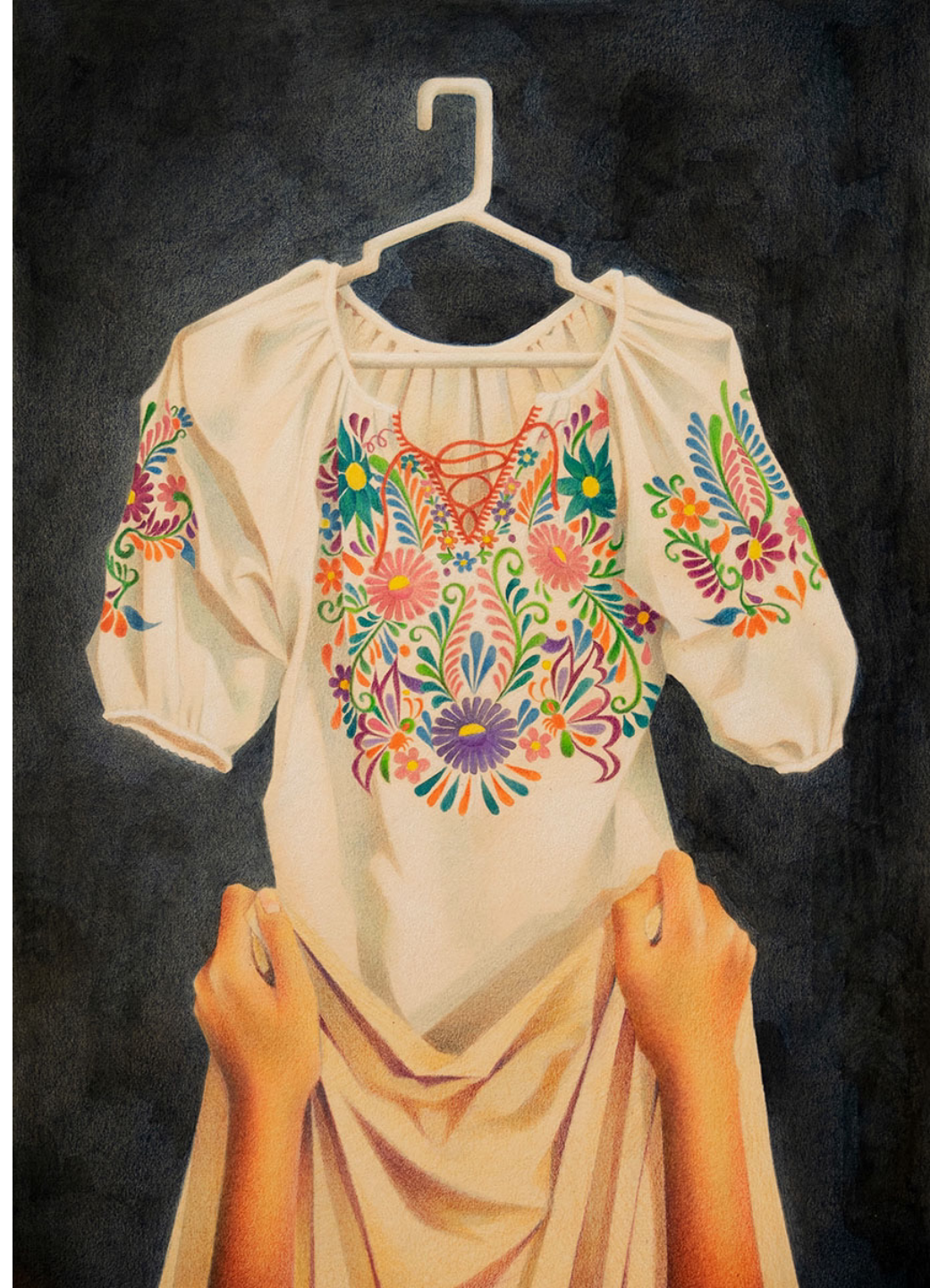


Title: Dress-Up

Media: Drawing

Title: Assimilation

Media: Drawing



Katherine Johns

School: A.W. Dreyfoos School of the Arts

County: Palm Beach

Title: Dejection, Curiosity &
Reminiscence

Media: Sculpture



Jessica Johnson

School: River Ridge High School

County: Palm Beach



Title: Dutchlind

Media: 2D Mixed Media

Title: Edge
Media: 2D Mixed Media



Dasi Mairena-Dannon

School: Miami Arts Charter

County: Dade



Title: Absence 6

Media: Photography

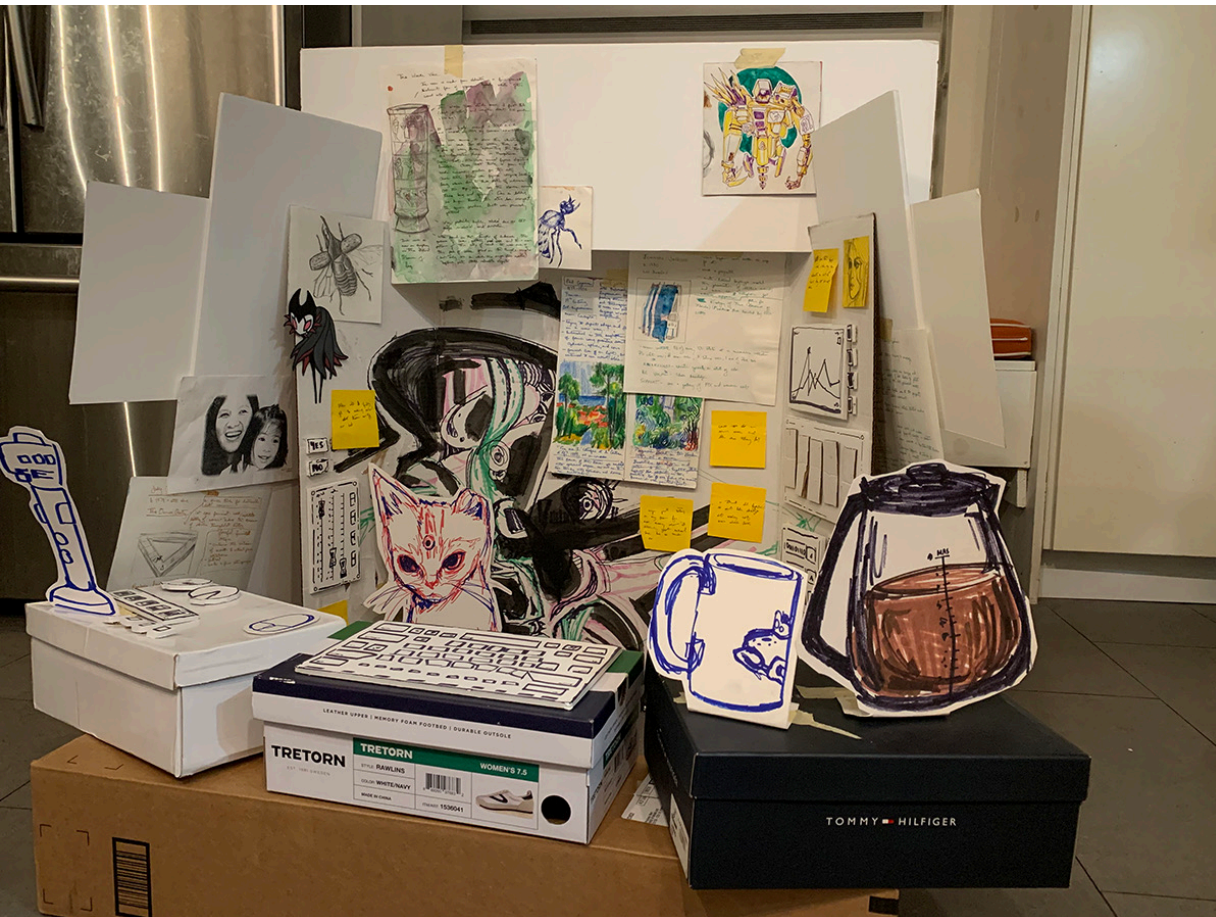
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Media: Photography

Zaara Mall

School: New World School of the Arts

County: Miami-Dade



Title: The House

Media: 3D Mixed Media

Title: Middle School Fantasy Base

Media: 3D Mixed Media

Jasmin Rhymes

School: New World School of the Arts

County: Miami-Dade



Title: Untitled 10

Media: Sculpture

Title: Dissention

Media: Digital Art



Ana Rodriguez

Title: I Wanted a Bike
Media: 3D Mixed Media

School: New World School of the Arts

County: Miami-Dade

Title: Grandma's House
on a Poncho
Media: Art to Wear
— Fashion



Mikayla St. Clair

School: Coral Reef High School

County: Miami-Dade



Title: Abandoned Home
Media: 2D Mixed Media

Title: Blouse
Media: 2D Mixed Media

Jade Stanley

School: New World School of the Arts

County: Dade



Title: Untitled

Media: 2D Mixed Media



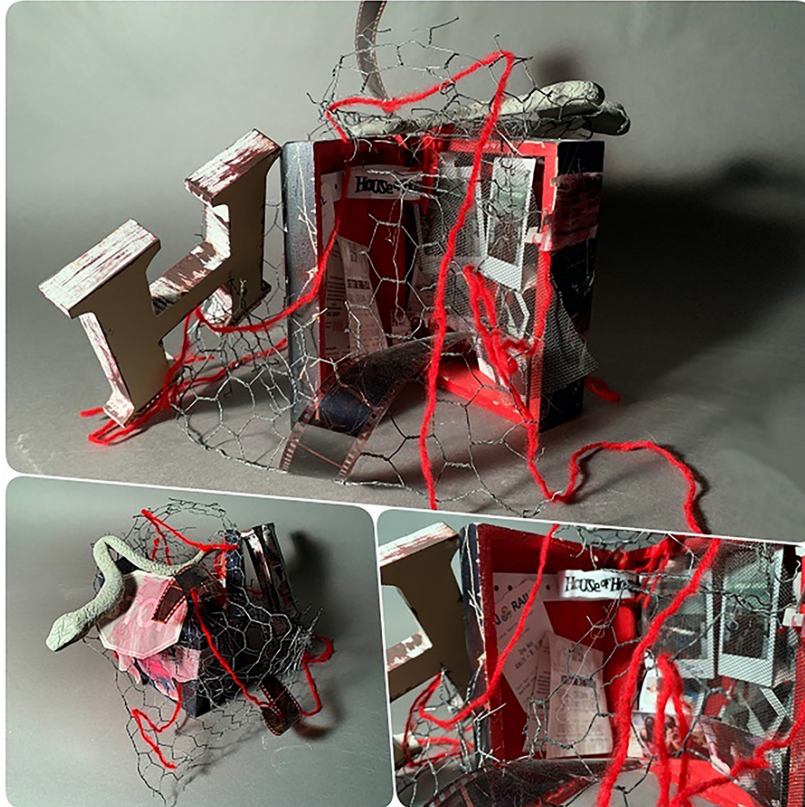
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Media: 2D Mixed Media

Kimberly Thorpe

School: Dillard High School

County: Broward



Title: Happy Hell
Collage

Media: 3D Mixed
Media



Title: See Me Doll

Media: 3D Mixed Media

Bryan Zborowski

School: Miami Arts Charter

County: Dade

A black and white photograph of a modern, minimalist building. The building has a textured, light-colored wall and a small, square window with a grid pattern. A bright light source, possibly the sun, is shining through the window, creating a strong glare. To the right of the window is a dark, rectangular door. A sign on the door reads "DRM Custom Masonry" and includes a phone number and website. The building is situated in an urban environment with other buildings and trees visible in the background.

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Media: Photography

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