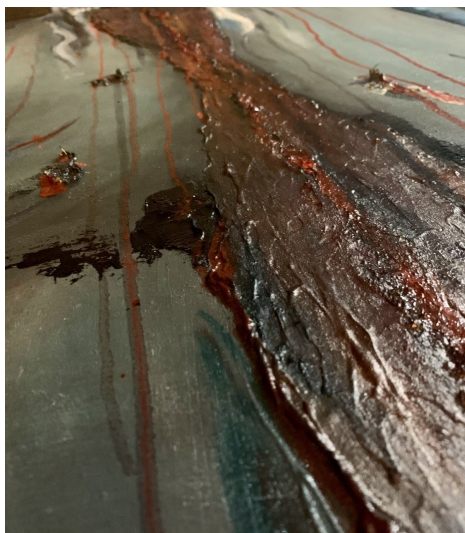


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The Expressions of Art

My artwork for the Senior Show 2021 is an expression of my personal struggles. I live with chronic pain and mental illness. When I cannot find the words needed to express my personal struggles, I use art. My pain is in the application of paint and other materials used in mixed media artwork.



Paper, metal, glue, paint, broken glass, odds and ends all come together to say what I don't want to verbally. I strive to create something beautiful, yet grotesque.

I want to show that life is still worth living no matter what hardships cross your path. Self-care is important in dealing with the negative side of life and I chose to turn my love of creating art, my self-care, into my life and career goals.