

My Artist Statement:

I like creating my art and photography through real life experiences. I want to use my photography to capture moments I want to remember forever. I like the majority of my photographs to have exciting and fun emotions because I consider myself to be a happy person and the good moments are most likely what I want to remember and reflect in my work. I don't have a particular area I like to focus on as seen in my portfolio however there are some similarities and constants seen throughout my work such as color and sharpness. The color goes back to the positive emotions I try to express and the sharpness gives the photos that nice crisp look that I like. My goals for the future are not necessarily to become some professional photographer; however I would like photography to influence my life. I hope that the photography and Photoshop techniques I have learned will help me take quality photos throughout my life experiences. I love to travel and see myself traveling a lot in my future, and with photography I can capture those places and memories. For instance, the turtle photograph in my portfolio was from a cruise my family took this past year. We had a great time at a turtle farm down in Cozumel, Mexico and through the photographs such as the turtle, I can remember that day. I also have enjoyed taking portraits, especially of younger kids such as the photos of my brother with the paint. Children have so much youth and energy that I love to show in my work and they also make you laugh while taking their picture! Kids also portray that happy emotion that I aim for in my work. When taking photos I don't like to use a lot of time to set up crazy lights, pose the object, etc. because I want to make the photographs look as natural as possible. However, I still set up the scene for the photograph because I want it to look clean and professional but at the same time look carefree and realistic. I did enter one self portrait in my portfolio although I usually don't like take photos of my self! I would rather be hiding behind the camera, capturing what's around me than just me by myself. So I added this photo into my portfolio because it shows this fact about me since only a portion of my face is showing (which means I am still hiding from the camera!). I hope that my work can continue to improve as I learn more about taking photos and editing them, and that my works will be useful to me to remember those times, memories, people and places I never want to forget.