Artist Statement

Write in first person, “I am” NOT “I was”, “I do” NOT “I did”

Be SPECIFIC AND TO THE POINT.

Write in a language that anyone can understand.

Your statement should be one page typed (12 point, double spaced). You must turn this in with your final digital portfolio.

**What you need to have included:**

- Favorite art material used and why

- What influences your artwork—be very specific, ex. My artwork is inspired by studying

textures in nature up close and mimicking the patterns I see.

- Brief history of your prior experiences in art making. (one- two sentences)

- Describe your growth and how your artwork has evolved from this class.

- Describe what is still challenging to you, but how you can improve.

- How does your artwork make you feel? Describe a specific piece if necessary.

Remember: Do not ever tell other people how your artwork should make them feel.

- Why do you make art?

- How will you continue in your art practice?

**Helpful Hints!!!**

- Begin writing as if you were talking to someone about your art.

- Have a friend ask you questions about your artwork. Take notes as you answer their

questions.

- Have someone read your artist statement who has not seen your artwork and edit it

for you. Does it make sense to them? Can they picture your artwork?

- Your statement should be more than just a description of your art/ and or art process!

- Read your statement aloud as you edit.

- Be honest and passionate about yourself!

- Mention well-known artists who have influenced you, but do not compare or focus on

them.

- Be creative and inventive!

**Paper Layout:**

1 paragraph Prior Experience as an artist

2-3 paragraphs Specific Experience in this class, Describe things learned, projects you did, etc.

1 paragraph Future Expectations, where will your art/ creativity go from here?