My desire to create my best art started at a young age. The drawing I included of a young boy fully concentrating on the picture he is drawing is of my little brother, but it could be me. I loved to draw and make pictures, and I still do. Put a pencil in my hand and I start itching to create. Art is at the core of me; it is what gives me the confidence to just be me, not one of the crowd. I don’t fully know where the art I create will take me yet or what value society will put on it, but it will always express the core of me.

As I grew, my passion to create art also turned outward. I want to teach other students art so they can feel that sense of satisfaction, achievement, and confidence that putting your thoughts, feelings and ideas on paper, canvas, or clay can bring. I feel that art broadens and deepens the educational experience. It pushes you to think beyond yourself and express who you are. It is almost therapeutic to create something unique and personal from a blank piece of paper or a lump of clay and it takes a significant amount of bravery to put that little piece of you out there for the world, including your peers, to critique.
and comment on. Art develops sensitivity, compassion, confidence and personal insight in the students who participate. It brings societal awareness to the artist and is the catalyst for much of the social changes that happen throughout the world. Art reflects the condition of present society, both the positive and the negative. I want to personally be a part of this process as well as help high school students develop their own sense of self through art.

While teaching is an important goal, I also want to continue to develop my own personal voice in the world of art. Ever since I can remember, I get great joy through making someone smile when they look at a drawing I’ve made. But I also get a lot of self-satisfaction when I look down at a piece of paper that was blank many hours ago and now is filled with my own unique statement about life. I love to capture a moment of everyday life, and take you there with me through the emotion on the paper or canvas. I want you to be transported to a similar everyday moment in your life and smile, frown, “react”. Art is definitely a journey, ever evolving, ever improving, ever-changing. I am interested to see where my art will go as I continue to add to my life experiences.