

Chris Bell, Master

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Why I Chose Mari Mayo

Mari Mayo is the student I chose for the Master & Grasshopper exhibit because of her extensive skill and love for creating art. She is a talented and driven student who wishes to pursue a career in the arts. Her ability to learn and her dedication to every single detail makes her stand out among others. She has continued to amaze me with her talents in drawing, painting, and digital work. Her creativity, work ethic, and drive have been paramount in her continued success as an artist.

Artist Statement

My goal as an artist is simply to create for aesthetic reasons. I draw and paint what I find to be visually interesting and unique. I seek not only to find the personality within the subjects that I paint, but to also to design them in a way that helps showcase the beauty in imperfections.

My work emphasizes heavily on illustration and graphic design. Simple layout with a focus on detail, line quality, and texture are a common theme in my artistic style. I often use nature and aging objects as a subject, as I find them to be both fascinating and complex. My design style is built on tension and visual contrast.

Drawing and painting allows me to create and tell stories. I enjoy developing a narrative through stylized images and colors that show my vision of a subject without any constraints.