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Artistic Discipline(s) Design Arts
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Artist Statement

It all started for me, around 6 years old, during my first grade art classes. I knew then that I was in my element. I was lost in a world of color, shapes, and images and I loved it. I found Art to be so peaceful; all encompassing, and complete. Truly, it is the process of creating, I enjoy so much. As the years went by, and I continued to grow, I always enjoyed coloring in coloring books. The difference between a plan page and a colored page was astonishing and just think- I was the fortunate one who was able to To be able to paint is, I feel, a God given talent that I love and cherish. My paintings are an expression of my spirituality, thoughts, emotions, life experiences, and imagination. It is the process, colors, and shapes that intrigue me and keep me wholly committed to each attempt to express and share who I am as an Artist. Abstracts allows me to go on journey of self, living, love, people in general, and the world that no other pursuit or endeavor would lend itself to. It is this process (journey) more than the destination, that I love as an Artist; it takes me places that I would never discover otherwise, and I would hope that those who see my art are taken on a journey as well. What do you see? What do you feel? Where did you go?

I'm still on a journey - trying to explore and unpeel my artistic endeavors layer by layer. There are times when I have artist blocks and have to await the arrival of new life and creativity to arrive. And when it arrives it's a celebration; a place of discovery, energy, enlightenment, and a sharing of colors, shapes, shadows; and time. This is who I am as a artist - one who expresses life and love as I experience it and live it.

I'm still growing; I don't have a website or a Pittsburgh Artist Registry - these are things to come in the near future; once I'm able to dedicate more time and energy in creating.