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# Tatiana Bell

AWL art & design

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I was created to create. Since I can remember I have been making, whether it be at home or art classes on Saturdays at MICA I have created something almost daily. The compelling desire to go to the lake and dig up the clay bottom with your feet and carry home to make pottery and oddities. To collect rocks and sticks to paint and wrap with string, sew barbie clothes out of socks. I was created to create.

I have within the past 7 years grown deeply attached to watercolor. I am an enamored by mixing the colors to create beautiful soft palettes that can be layered into deeper hues. I am often drawn to blues and purples and feel that so much can be said through those colors. My concepts come to me in a variety of ways. I can be studying history and see an image in my mind or a woman's face and have a need to illustrate it. I may see a picture of a loved one and have a feeling wash over me and create an image to illustrate that feeling. Sometimes I look at the paper, or desk, or fabric and begin to work and the image appears.



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Many of my more abstract pieces are me processing a moment or a thought. I find that just the feeling of the pen or paintbrush gliding on the paper is almost a therapy for me. I use a blend of ink, acrylic and watercolor when creating the abstract pieces and without a plan or direction.

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How you do anything is how you do everything; do everything always with love.

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