

Name: [REDACTED]

Social Issue: Bullying

Medium/Media: Paint/Collage

Title: The Developing Tree

Size: 11" x 14"

Date Completed: 5/23/16

I have been bullied at times in my life. I want this social issue to be recognized and a change to happen. At schools kids get bullied every day. I want to put an end to it. I like the idea of making a collage out of words that bullies use. What people say to you can tear you down on the outside. But look in the inside of you and take the best out of what people say to you. And use the words or things to keep you motivated. I was inspired by Mrs. Dentel. I got the idea of the collage from her. I like how the edges are ripped and pieced together. I like how the paint and collage blend/work together.

I used collage because I like the roughness of the words that hurt people, and the texture shows that. I used paint because of the different colors that have a different meaning. Yes, I am familiar with paint because I have worked with it on my past art projects as well as collage. The hardest part had to be trying to find something to close/open the heart. I found a clasp and sowed it onto the canvas. Now I can open the heart and close it.

The end result is what I expected, I am very proud of the way it all worked together and became one piece. I think I was most successful with the painting because I have worked with paint on a lot of past art projects. If I had to redo this piece I would make the heart that closes and opens perfect.