

The Fall

A Creative Collaboration

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Dear Reader:

Mount Shasta. It looks very beautiful from the Mount Shasta City and Weed vista. It also looks beautiful on the converse side from the Dorris and Tulelake view. Mystical from Fall River, and rugged from McCloud. The same beloved mountain, yet so different.

We found the same thing with this project. **“The Fall.”** This was the topic we posed to high school students around Mount Shasta. Many depicted it as the season with its associated themes. Others were more literal. Some felt abstract art as the best medium.

The word that comes to mind is: *perspective*. It’s how you look at things. Different angles, takes, lighting, seasons, and depths and perceptions. Then there is the internal. Such as the observer’s background, their preferences, what they are open to seeing and what they cannot see. How to tell which view is right? Or which is best? Maybe all are true. Maybe all are false. Most likely, the truth is somewhere in the middle.

It was really refreshing to see how a simple topic could be translated in so many different ways. This gives us hope that the spirit of creativity and perspective is intact and thriving in our youth.

So, what is your perspective? On life? On yourself?

In Inspiration,

Shasta Sovereign



Awards for "The Fall" Project

We were honored to have such wonderful participation in our high school art competition. We had 50 students from over 10 high schools in 4 different counties participate. Every entry mattered. All hard work was appreciated. Creativity was very inspiring. Although we initially just wanted to award top 3 places, we were moved to give notable entries as well. The point of this competition was multifold. We wanted to connect people from different communities. We also wanted to engage and challenge our youth in a healthy manner. Mostly, we wanted to use the art to inspire you, the reader. We hope we were successful to a degree in these aspirations. Without further delay, the following are the awards.

1st place- Willow from Burney High

2nd place- Alyssa from Yreka High

3rd place- Sophie from Yreka High

Notable entries:

SaraRose- Big Valley High

Jocelyn- Burney High

Shalynn- Burney High

Hunter- Dunsmuir High

Grasie- Dunsmuir High

Swartz- Dunsmuir High

Bella- Fall River

Zach- Fall River High

Faith- Modoc High

Clarabelle- Mt Shasta High

Madeline- Mt Shasta High

Delayna- Surprise Valley High

Paris- Tulelake High

Jhoseline- Tulelake High

Teya- Tulelake High

Andres- Tulelake High

Marie- Weed High

Amathie- Weed High

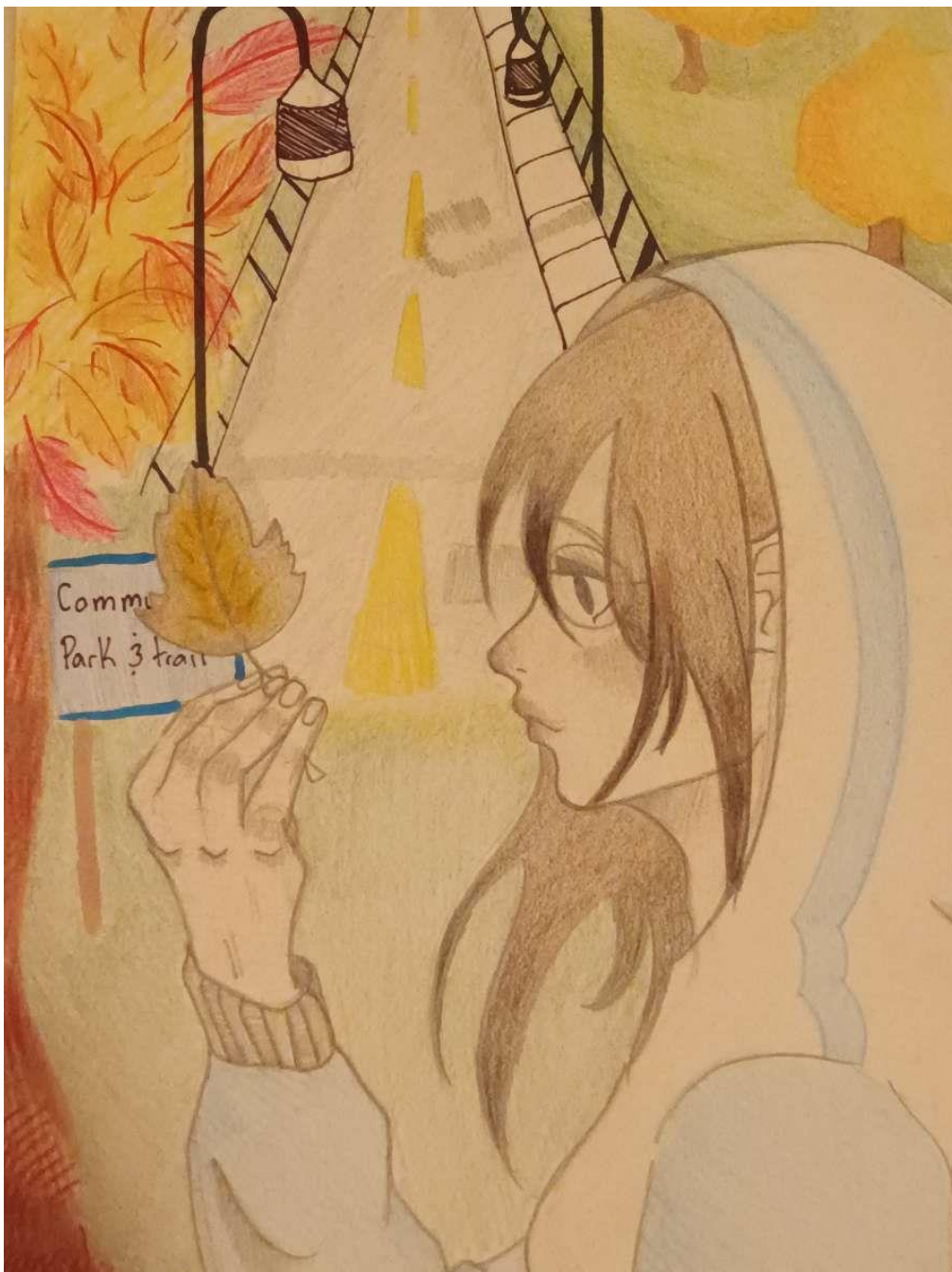
Ava- Yreka High



Artist: SaraRose
Home: Big Valley

Title: The warmth of leaves

Description: My art was to show how the fall of leaves can be warm and a sign of new coming soon. I chose a warm and friendly environment being a park with a trail. The leaves being out with the old, in with the new. And the trail being a path towards the new.





Artist: Robee
Home: Big Valley





Artist: Robee
Home: Big Valley





Artist: Jocelyn
Home: Burney, CA





Artist: Nicole

Home: Burney, CA

Description:

At first when I saw the theme was fall, I thought of doing a spooky path with pumpkins and candles. But Halloween had already passed, so I came up with the idea of a secret garden. I decided to use oil pastels to color on a canvas. It took me 2 days to completely finish this piece of art. It was a great learning experience since I had never used oil pastels before. It was fun to use pastels and now I have confidence in myself that I will be able to use pastels in the future.





Artist: Shalynn
Home: Burney, CA





Artist: Lois

Home: Burney, CA

Description:

When I was told the theme was fall I had already had an idea of a spooky pumpkin for my abstract watercolor project in celebration of the then upcoming halloween, so I decided that with how well the project came out, it would be a good entry to fit the theme of the contest. I really enjoyed working with watercolor as it was a new medium for me and it gave me lots of opportunities to practice and try new strategies and styles. The whole thing has given me new confidence in using watercolor.





Artist: Emily
Home: Burney, CA





Artist: Willow

Home: Burney, CA

Description:

Since the prompt of this competition was Fall, I wanted to make an art piece that really brings out the colors of the trees, the sky, and the bushes. So I used colored pencils, wanting to make the colors more vibrant and bright. The character on the right is named Cain, he is 22 years old, he has always seen the world as bright and colorful, always thinking positive. The character on the left, Miguel, is 21 years old. He has always seen the world as gray, constantly thinking negatively. He was abused as a kid, so he has a huge amount of self hatred and anger inside himself. But Cain is there to help him realize how beautiful life really is, how Miguel shouldn't define his world in black and white because there is so much hiding amongst the grays. He shows Miguel the leaves falling off the trees, trying to teach him that it is okay to let go, to get rid of self hatred and his rage. Cain chose the most peaceful spot he knows, the bridge. He chose the bridge because it has the most intense hue of red, orange, yellow, and pink trees and bushes. I put the House Sparrow beside Miguel because it symbolizes new beginnings, hope, and freedom, something Miguel has always wanted as a child. I hope this drawing helps people understand that life starts at the end of your comfort zone, so go color your life outside the boundaries and live without fear, life is too short to live in black and white.





Artist: Fred
Home: Burney, CA





Artist: Mackenzie
Home: Dunsmuir, CA





Artist: Marvin

Home: Dunsmuir, CA





Artist: Hunter H
Home: Dunsmuir, CA





Artist: Gracie

Home: Dunsmuir, CA





Artist: Destiny
Home Dunsmuir, CA





Artist: Hunter R
Home: Dunsmuir, CA





Artist: Swartz

Home: Dunsmuir, CA





Artist: Linnaea

Home: Dunsmuir, CA





Artist: Bella

Home: Fall River Mills, CA





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Artist: Bella

Home: Fall River Mills, CA





Artist: Zach

Home: Fall River Mills, CA

Description:

I first drew a tree, and then the rest of the picture branched from the tree. The picture went from blank to life-filled in a few hours.





Artist: Faith

Home: Alturas, CA

Description:

Made with watercolor and pen. It is 18"x12".





Artist: Clarabelle
Home: Mt Shasta, CA





Artist: Madeline
Home: Mt Shasta, CA

Title: Skier Timelapse
Description: pen and ink and watercolor

Part 1





Part 2





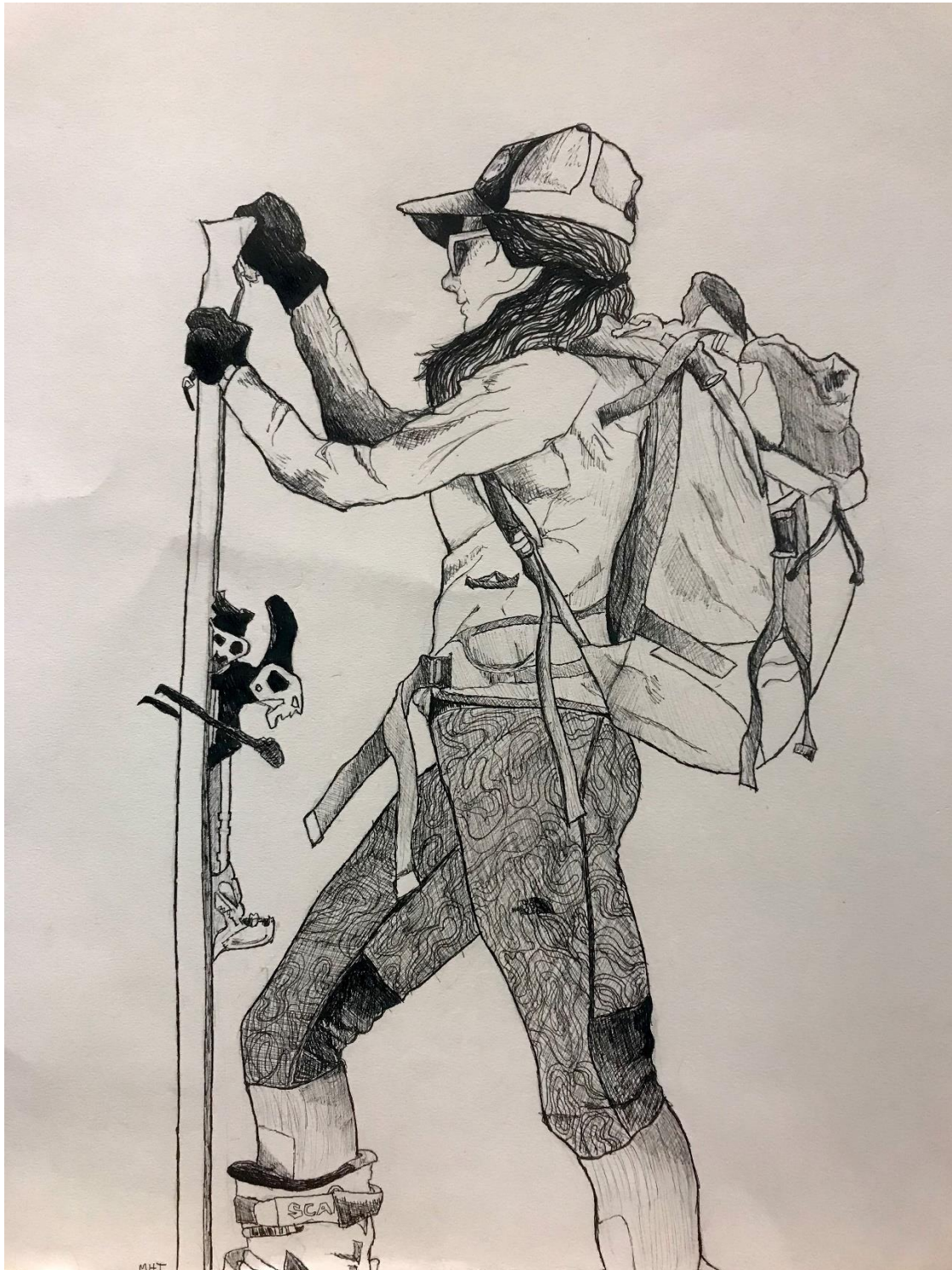
Part 3





Artist: Madeline
Home: Mt Shasta, CA

Title: Backcountry skier
Description: pen and ink





Artist: Madeline
Home: Mt Shasta, CA

Title: School Mural
Description: mural at Mt Shasta High School





Artist: Delayna
Home: Cedarville, CA





Artist: Paris
Home: Tulelake, CA

Title: Fall Leaf Cat





Artist: Paris
Home: Tulelake, CA

Title: "Trick or Treat"





Artist: Gissell

Home: Tulelake, CA





Artist: Jorge
Home: Tulelake, CA





Artist: Xabiel

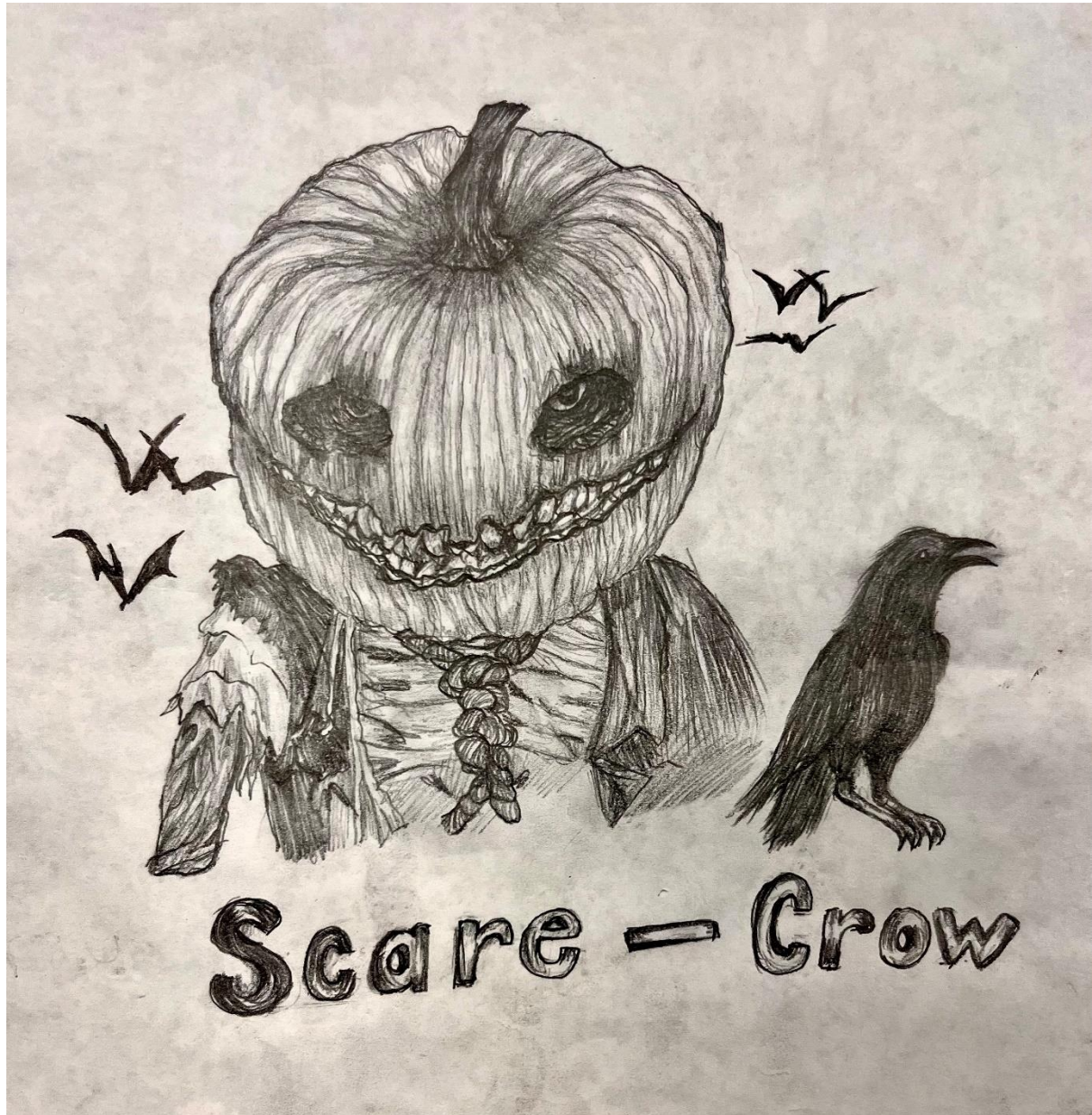
Home: Tulelake, CA





Artist: Jhoseline
Home: Tulelake, CA

Title: Scare-Crow





Artist: Ivan
Home: Tulelake, CA





Artist: Teya
Home: Tulelake, CA





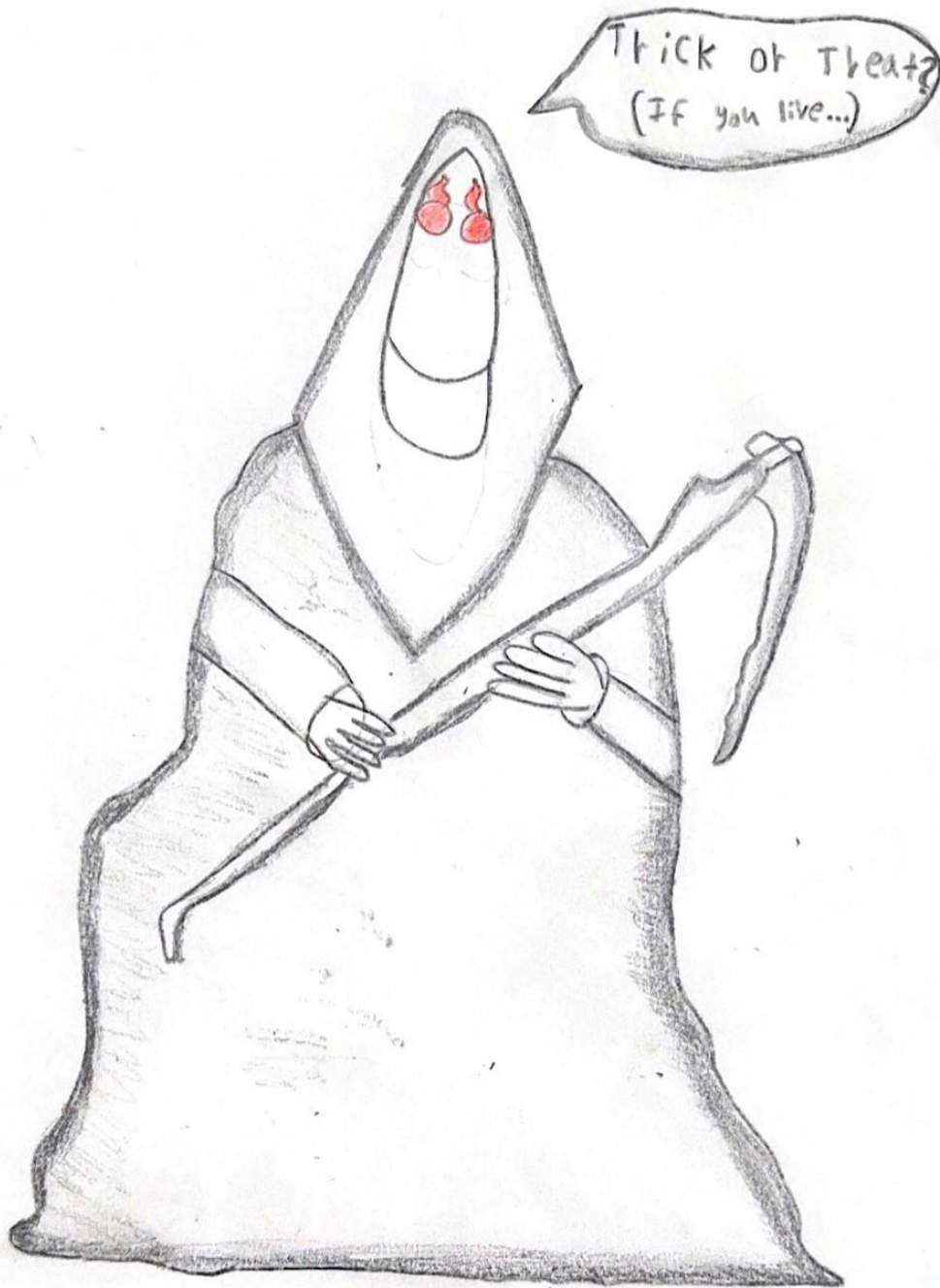
Artist: Andres

Home: Tulelake, CA





Artist: Andrey
Home: Tulelake, CA



Andrey



Artist: Lupita
Home: Tulelake, CA





Artist: Anthony
Home: Tulelake, CA





Artist: Angel
Home: Tulelake, CA





Artist: Natalie
Home: Tulelake, CA





Artist: Xavier
Home: Tulelake, CA





Artist: Porter
Home: Tulelake, CA



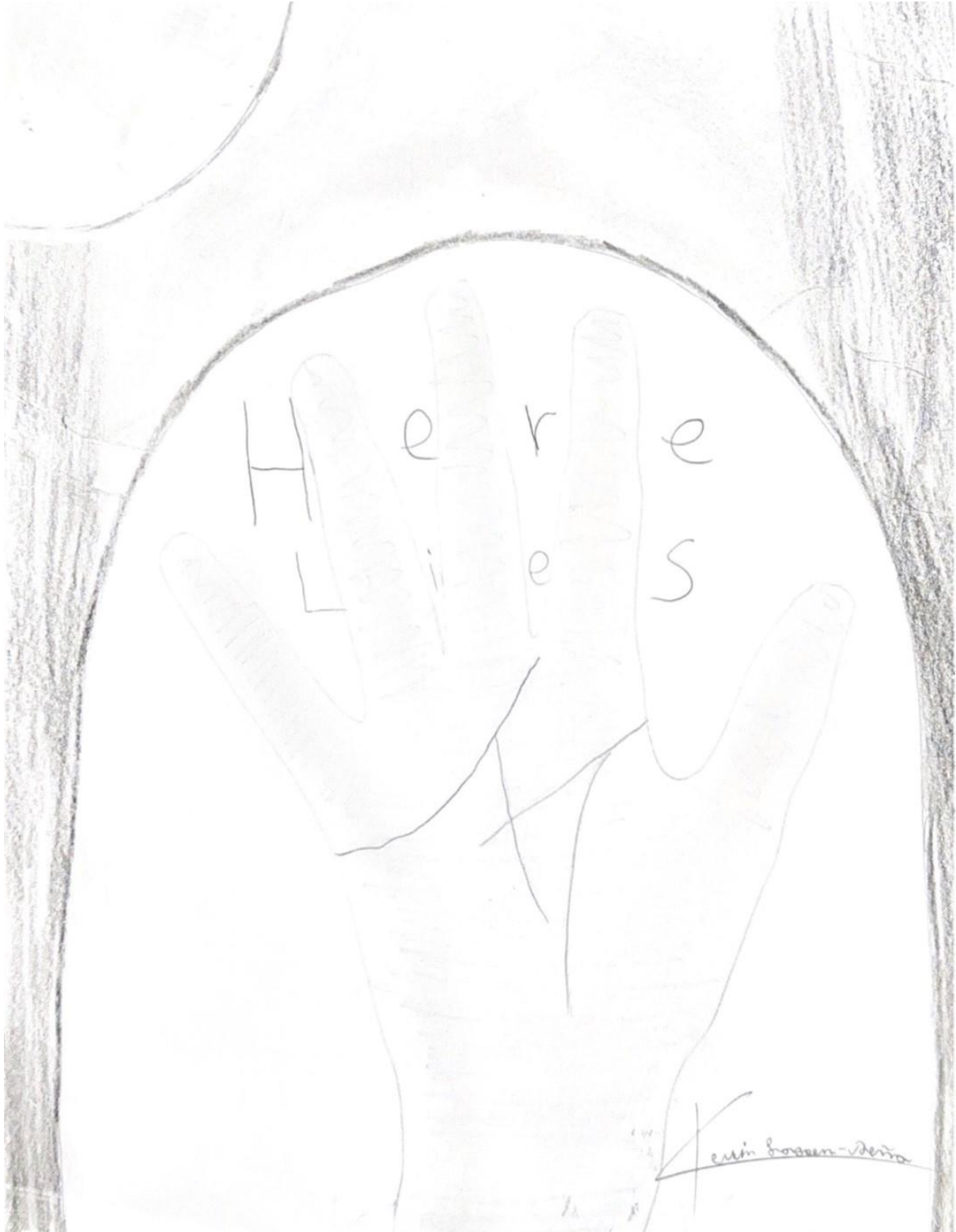


Artist: Addie
Home: Tulelake, CA





Artist: Kevin
Home: Tulelake, CA





Artist: Josie
Home: Tulelake, CA





Artist: Rafael
Home: Tulelake, CA



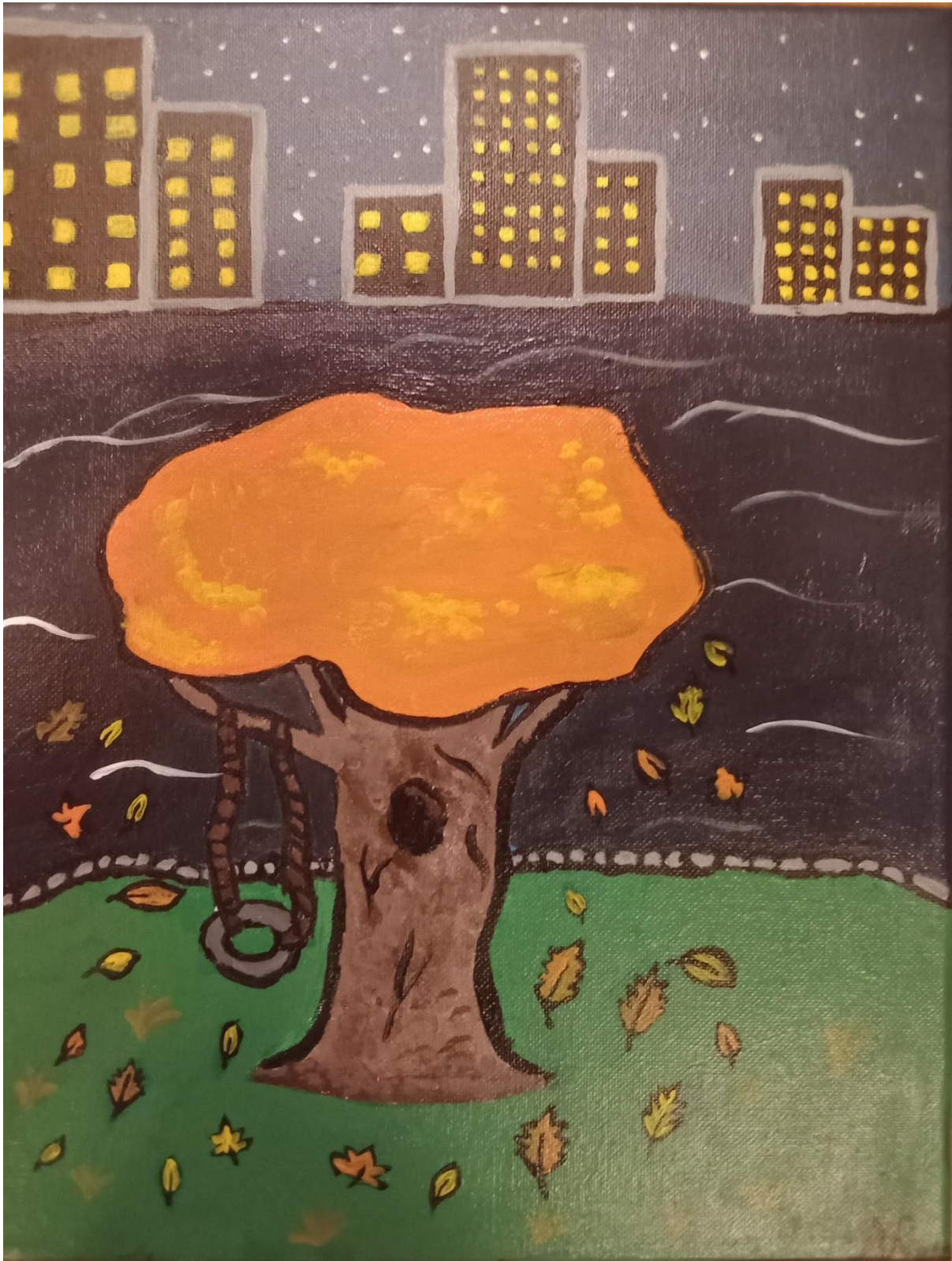


Artist: Isaiah
Home: Tulelake, CA





Artist: Amathie
Home: Weed, CA





Artist: RC

Home: Weed, CA

Title: Darkness Looking at the Horizon dreams

Description: This piece is a way for me to know that I can be free and true when I'm locked. Liath - it's a way for me to escape when I feel down.





Artist: Julia C.

Home: Yreka, CA

Title: Peaceful Mists of Autumn

Description: This watercolor piece was inspired by the morning clouds that cover Mt. Shasta and the cold mists of fall. It has autumnal leaves and woodland creatures to represent the season more strongly.





Artist: Ava
Home: Yreka

Title: Saudade

Description: 6x9 inch watercolor on paper. Image depicts Mt Rainier in October. Image was scanned and turned into a jpg. "Fall is a time to reflect on nostalgia and what we've lost, but is also a time to consider the new beginnings that come with it.





Artist: Mykenzi

Home: Yreka

Title: All Hallow Eve

Description: These are the things I think about when you say the word Fall. Fall is the time of Halloween and harvest. In art we have been learning about erasing, blending, and shading. This image is on white paper and done with drawing pencil.





Artist: Alyssa

Home: Yreka

Title: Fall Cats

Description: Bright colors that come with fall have always instantly caught my eye. When the sun lit up the beautiful tree, I knew I had to paint it. My cat, as seen in the painting, has always lit up my life like the sun did to the tree. I wanted to capture just this. His curiosity and content within the moment. This was painted fully with watercolor.





Artist: Sophie

Home: Yreka, CA

Title: Cold autumn

Description: A watercolor painting on paper. This is a depiction of a man's soul staring at the stars hoping for the spring he knows he'll never see.





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