



New Exhibition Showcases Youth Art and Resilience

In My Room: Student Reflections on the Time of Isolation
Opens April 6 in Las Vegas



Original artwork by Uziel M., *In My Room*, Mixed Media.

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Exhibition focuses on artworks created by Las Vegas students that provide a glimpse into the isolation they experienced during the COVID-19 pandemic lockdown.

March 15, 2023—LAS VEGAS, NV—Nevada Humanities presents a new exhibition, [*In My Room: Student Reflections on the Time of Isolation*](#), that features original artworks created by Las Vegas students from K.O. Knudson Academy of Art Middle School and Del Sol Academy of the Performing Arts. *In My Room* is curated by educator and artist Sean Jones, working with educator David Heide from Del Sol Academy of the Performing Arts, and the exhibition is on display from **April 6 – May 24, 2023**, at the Nevada Humanities Program Gallery, located at 1017 South 1st Street, #190, Las Vegas. An **in-person reception** will take place on **Wednesday, April 26, 2023, 5 to 8 pm PDT**, with a curator's talk at **6 pm PDT**. Space is limited. Register for this event at nevadahumanities.org.

In My Room: Student Reflections on the Time of Isolation shares artworks that offer a glimpse

into the spaces, places, and ideas about things these students learned about themselves during the time of isolation and lockdown during the pandemic crisis. Students and educators were required to stay home for an extended amount of time during the pandemic instead of attending school, and they are still adjusting to the effects of that experience as they return to school.

“In talking with my students about this time in our lives, they mentioned a song that they related to and that inspired the title of the exhibition,” said Sean Jones, who is a Las Vegas artist and guest curator of this exhibition. “*In My Room* is a song written by Brian Wilson and Gary Usher of The Beach Boys from the perspective of a teenager who feels safe and comfortable in their bedroom. The song’s melody and the thought of a place of peace and comfort resonated with the students.”

“Each of us, in our own way, are striving and sometimes struggling to build back our daily lives and interactions affected by the pandemic,” said Bobbie Ann Howell, a Program Manager with Nevada Humanities. “Teachers are at the forefront of this effort working with our young people, helping them to share their voices and experiences, and envision their future.”

In My Room: Student Reflections on the Time of Isolation will open at the Nevada Humanities Program Gallery in Las Vegas on April 6, 2023, will be on display as a virtual exhibition indefinitely at nevadahumanities.org, and will be on display at the Program Gallery until May 24, 2023. Viewing hours at the Program Gallery are: Tuesdays through Thursdays from 1 to 4 pm and until 9 pm the first Friday of the month for First Friday events at the Nevada Humanities Program Gallery, 1017 South 1st Street, #190 in Las Vegas. Or make a viewing appointment by contacting Bobbie Ann Howell at bahowell@nevadahumanities.org or 702-800-4670. Visit nevadahumanities.org to learn more.

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