**ARTIST STATEMENT**

*I make art from unique vantage points. I like to look at the world from my own eyes and bring a new outlook to viewers. I am mostly inspired by line; therefore, graphite pencil and ball-point pen are my favorite art-making tools. I was inspired to do this piece after dropping a fork on the floor of our local café. I saw my sister from a whole new view. These everyday viewings are what create my art. I call this art “Sun set on the Gulf.” After spending a family vacationing Mexico, I came home with many beautiful photos. I decided to turn one photo into a painting. I wanted to paint the glowing sun and silhouette palm trees I remember from the trip. I used acrylic paint on canvas to make this art. I am inspired to make art that hold strong memories.*