

Writing an Artist Statement

An artist statement is an artist's written description of their work. The brief text supports their own work to give the reader understanding.

Below are a view tips to help you write an artist statement.

TIPS

There should be enough information in your artist statement that someone can begin to imagine the art that you make without having it in front of them.

Think about the How, What, and Why you are as an artist.

How do you describe yourself as an artist?

What is your preferred medium to work with?

Describe your painting style and why you pursue it.

Examples of artist statements:

Gina creates mixed media, multi layered art with an emphasis on calming colors and texture. She created the seaside collection to inspire relaxation and rest and the sense of wonder that comes from traveling to coastal areas.

Cathy is a watercolor artist who loves to paint still life, pets, and flowers. She paints things that make her feel good, either with the colors she uses or the subject matter at hand.

Linda is an eclectic, mostly self-taught artist who enjoys working in a variety of media. Her recent focus is creating unique, stylish jewelry and clothing using repurposed materials. Her art reflects her value for protecting the environment through creating art from resources that others have tossed out. Her sense of style is represented in each of her creations.