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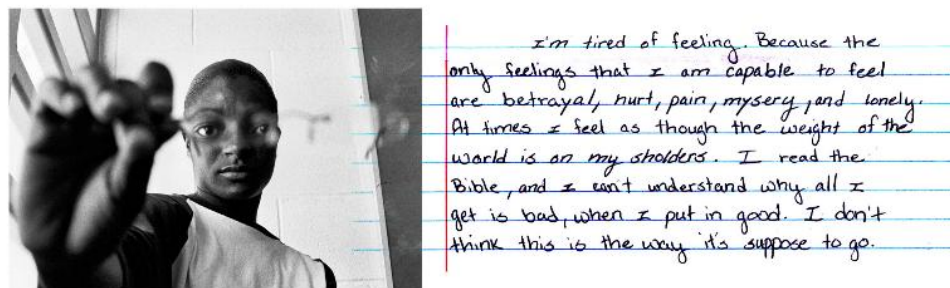
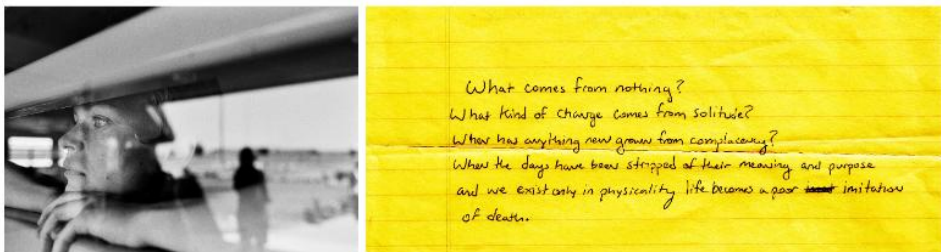
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Photographer [Ara Oshagan](#)'s powerful series Juvies documents high-risk juvenile offenders being tried as adults in California. It includes many images of teens in isolation, sometimes accompanied by their writings.



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