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### Artist Statement

My work focuses on working with new media and experimenting with them. Recently, I've become very fond of Blender and I've been making a lot of work using it. I've always found technology to be interesting to me because of my interest in video games and animation, most of my work has to do with themes of nature or involve topics that I find interesting.

I remember that when I was little I loved climbing trees and sitting on the branches. It always gave me the feeling of being so free up there looking out at my little world. I had always wished for the power to fly and I think that could be why I'm so obsessed with butterflies and why most of my work during this semester has involved them. They are so beautiful, graceful, colorful, delicate, undergo amazing transformation to be what they are, and can fly anywhere they want whenever they want.

I think that during my childhood and even now (especially now with the shelter in place order) I've always felt so trapped by a lot of my responsibilities and limitations. I wish I could be like one and have the ability to fly and live so carefree. Finding the positive in the negative has always been something I've tried to do in my life and I try to find some calmness in chaotic times using my work as a medium to express my feelings.