

## **Artist Bio**

Hello!

My name is Aliyah Noh and I am a local, Mexican American indigenous artist that graduated from UW-Whitewater with an art degree this past May! I'm an avid supporter of constantly experimenting and learning new mediums so my work is primarily mixed media and contains a variety of materials/subjects. I believe there is always more to learn and grow with! After graduating university, my goal has been to build my own portfolio, move towards independent living, and increase my involvement with the community. Education, empathy, and community are the key to my sanity right now and I've found that many people are in the same boat. I've launched a monthly Adult Art Club in Fort Atkinson to help spread this message and am working with a few other local leaders to discover ways to mend the divide within our local communities. Although I usually work solo, I come from a family of artists that are incredibly supportive of me and my journey. If the interest or need arises, they would step in to help assist with the traffic box mural. All of my family is either Mexican or Native American so they were already excited just hearing my proposal. At most, I would have a team of 5 individuals who could step in to assist me if needed/desired. I have done one mural previously (residential) and am in the process of discussing another that will go in a local business in Madison so I have experience with larger works of art. This opportunity in Whitewater would allow me to explore the world of public art and get my name and my message out there. In addition, it would be an incredible full circle moment to be able to create a public art piece outside the same place that helped me obtain my degree despite being disabled/chronically ill. My gratitude to the Arts Department and SDES department at UW-Whitewater is forever lasting, for they have made an incredible impact on my life and future. Without the team of mentors I had there, I would never have graduated and found myself where I am today. My CV is attached to my application and you can find more of my work at [www.mauartistry.com](http://www.mauartistry.com).

Thank you!

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