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Artist Statement for Michelle (Elle) Knight

My proposed heart design, titled “Heart of Belonging,” brings to life Wilsonville’s unity and diversity through vibrant, overlapping shapes and colors. Each abstract, nature-inspired element flows together to symbolize our shared experiences, values, and connections. The harmonious colors are both inviting and inclusive, reflecting the warmth and openness that define the city’s vision. By placing the words “You Belong” at the heart of the piece, I aim to echo Wilsonville’s welcoming spirit and commitment to inclusivity—inviting every resident and visitor to feel valued and part of this shared space. This joyful design celebrates the diversity of Wilsonville, underscoring the message that while our individual backgrounds are unique, together we form one strong, interconnected community.



HeARTs of Wilsonville
Many Cultures, One Heart

Heart Sculpture

52 inches tall X 52 inches wide X 10 inches depth

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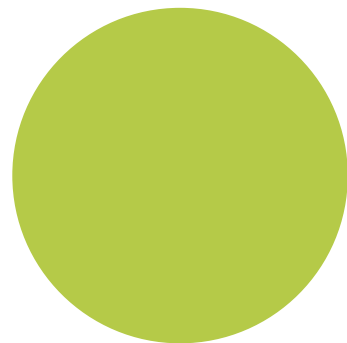
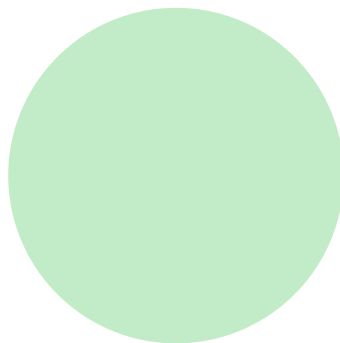
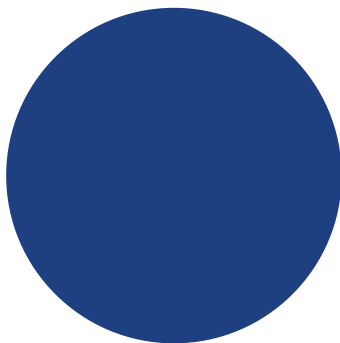
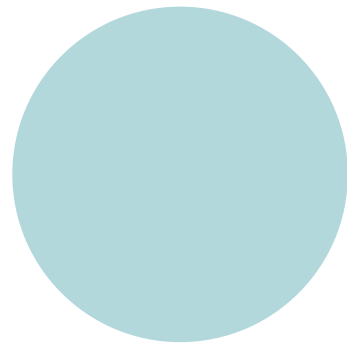
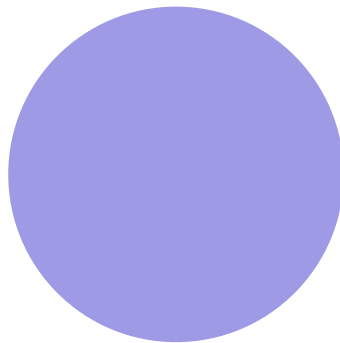
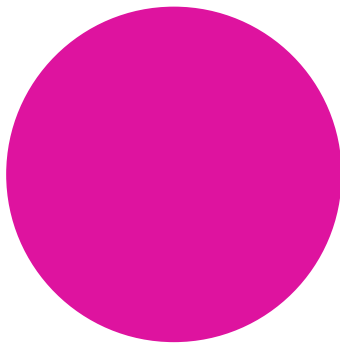
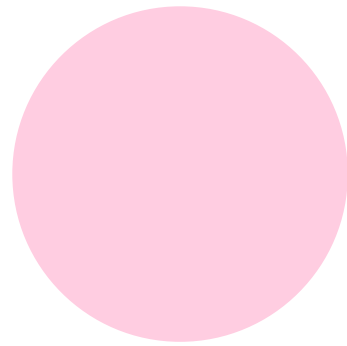
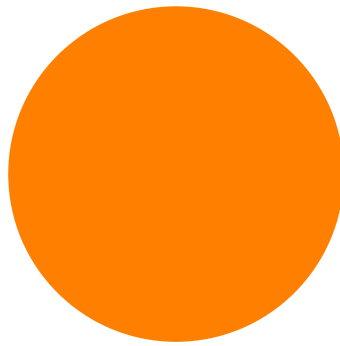
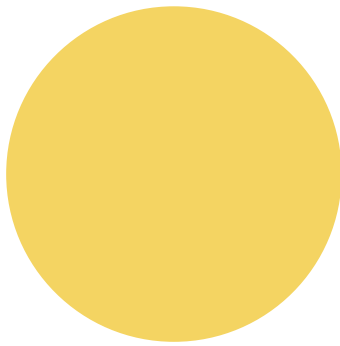


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This nine-color palette is designed to provide strong contrast, ensuring accessibility and visual appeal for all audiences.



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Mixed Media and Public Art Work Samples

Elle's (née Michelle) intention is to inspire the viewer to feel at peace through her dreamlike, calming, and meditative compositions that mixed media techniques. Amidst the chaos of the world, she believes art can uplift and bring peace, which is her intention woven through every piece she creates.

Whether working on a traditional canvas, 3D, or in the digital realm, Elle infuses her work with an infectious sense of playfulness and optimism. Her vivid colors, intricate details, and ethereal scenes invite you to step into a world where imagination knows no bounds.



2024 - "Passages" - Past Lives Makerspace (Portland, OR)
Assisted in the installation or mosaic art mural.
Design and project facilitation by Laurel True

Curriculum Vitae - Elle Knight

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Selected Group Exhibition

2024 - "Washington County Open Studios" - Mosaic Arts Loft (Sherwood, OR)

2024 - "Haunted Hues" - Radius Gallery (Portland, OR)

2023 - "Small Works and Small Wonder" - Reser Gallery (Beaverton, OR)

2022 - "Beaverton Arts Mix" - Reser Gallery (Beaverton, OR)

2020 - "5x5" - Outlet Gallery (Portland, OR)

2017 - "Beaverton Arts Mix" -

Selected Solo Exhibition

2017 - "Color Wonder" - La Vida (Beaverton, OR)

Grants and Awards

2024 - Washington County Art Alliance's Mentorship Program

2024 - Recipient of Regional Arts and Council professional development grant

2017 - AIGA Diversity and Inclusion Award

Public Art

2024 - "Passages" - Past Lives Makerspace (Portland, OR) - Assisted in the installation of mosaic art mural. Design and project facilitation by Laurel True