



My art depicts a teenager in a field carrying a bucket of apples. It represents all the weight that migrant farm workers carry on their shoulders and how hard they work for their money. There are at least half a million 5-14 year-olds who put aside any free time because their family needs more money to make ends meet. They work very hard just to get food on their table. When people look at my art, I want them to know that migrant farm workers deserve more recognition for contributing to our country.

Max



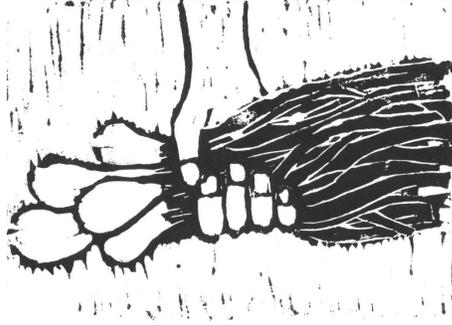
My art is the Statue of Liberty. She was built in France and migrated to New York in the U.S. She stands for liberty and freedom. She is an immigrant. Her left leg is in mid stride so she is migrating to a new place. She is a symbol that all immigrants are equal. Migrant farm workers are often immigrants. I want my art to show that immigrants are the same as you and me.

Oliver



My art depicts a hand holding a mint leaf, an herb that many migrant workers pick. It is a component in many rudimentary products, such as Toothpaste or gum. I wanted to draw attention to something that people wouldn't usually think about, like how much human labor goes into making a single piece of gum. The hand represents the migrant farm worker whose hands are picking our food and working in our factories. The hand also represents how many farm workers aren't able to hold on financially because of low wages their managers pay them.

Owen



My art depicts an onion fresh from the field, because that's what many migrant farm workers pick in Idaho. The hand is there to show that migrant farm workers have to work manually, provide their own tools, and package the fruits and vegetables. Throughout the year migrant farm workers pick almost all the fruits and vegetables throughout the U.S. I want to inform people how much human labor goes into putting healthy food on the table. Migrant farm workers are the missing puzzle piece to the economy. When others look at my art, I want them to realize that society isn't complete without them.

Solvei



My art depicts a migrant farm worker, wearing long pants, under the scorching sun. The farm worker is harvesting rows of pesticide infested crops to put fresh healthy fruits and vegetables on in our stores. I want people to see in my art not only how migrant farm workers get treated, but also how important migrant farm workers are for our community.

Izzy



My work shows a warm sun high above a farm estate with tobacco fields, six silos, and a truck pulling their produce to sell. My art symbolizes how our produce starts in the field, gets gathered, shipped, and processed, and then sent to the store, yet we don't see the workers behind the scenes. Most laws don't protect migrant farm workers and that means they don't have as much security as someone with a different job. I hope my art inspires people to take action against all the troubles migrant farm workers face in order for them to have a better life.

Emerson



My piece shows a sugar beet, which is a commodity crop that migrant farm workers harvest. Migrant farm workers contribute so much to our community, yet they get paid so little. I want my artwork to show that migrant farm workers do so much for our country.

Hayden



My artwork shows a hot sun shining down on a vegetable field. I made this art piece to represent the danger that the sun can be to migrant farm workers. Some of the workers do not have certain things to stay safe in the sun, such as sunscreen. When working in the sun, a lot of the farm workers get heat related illnesses, such as heat stroke and dehydration. Farm workers die at a rate 20 times greater than the rest of the U.S. civilization workers. I want my artwork to send the message into the world that there are people that struggle everyday working out in fields, and they are the reason why we all can have food on the table.

Magnolia