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Marjorie Barrick Museum of Art University of Nevada, Las Vegas Las Vegas, Nevada March 18, 2020–April 30, 2020

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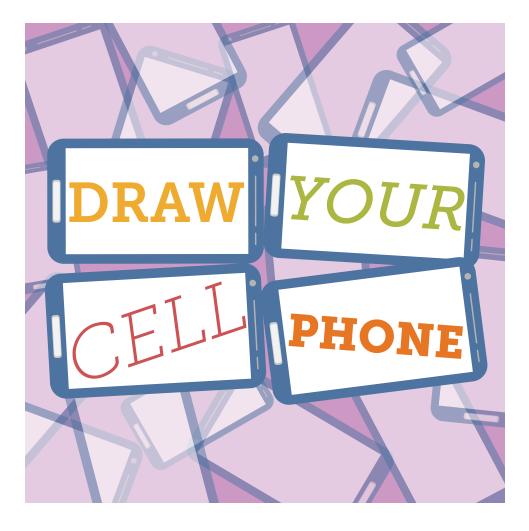
ABOUT THE PROJECT

The project is called A Drawing a Day Keeps the Pandemic Away. We created it on March 17th, which was the day when we realized that we weren't going to be able to go back into the museum and continue installing the exhibitions we had been planning to open on March 27th. People were asking us what we, as an art museum, were going to do to reach out to the community during the pandemic shutdown and honestly we were wondering that ourselves, so we had an online brainstorming session and came up with the idea of posting a daily drawing prompt on Instagram. Anyone who wanted could respond to the prompt by posting a drawing and tagging us. Then we would add their drawing to our story feed and our highlights, so there would be a growing record of everything we'd received. At the end of the project we would turn the submissions into a catalog. Drawing a Day is not only something that gives people a connection to the arts community during the shutdown, it's also going to become a historical archive.

It took us less than twenty-four hours to come up with our list of prompts. By the next day our graphic designer Chloe Bernardo had created our title image and we were able to begin. Every day since then we've posted one of her prompt illustrations followed by a response from an artist. That's our first picture of the day. After that we wait to see what else people send us.

Anyone with access to Instagram can participate. We don't judge the drawings. We hope that the regularity of our prompts creates a sense of grounding in the middle of the very tense and mysterious situation that we're in. Ideally, we hope our prompts help people touch on some of the complicated feelings they're having right now. We also appreciate it when we can see people are enjoying themselves. We notice when the same people send us pictures every day, and even though we don't know most of them personally it's nice to be able to follow their careers, as Pandemic Drawing artists, with the same kind of attention we would use if we were following the career of any of the artists we work with at the museum. Some of those exhibition artists have submitted drawings too. Sue Havens, for example, an artist who's going to be creating new work for a show in our Workshop gallery in the future, sent us two drawings for the self-portrait prompt.

We've had people tell us that the project is therapeutic, it's comforting, it creates a kind of normalcy. And those are the kinds of reactions we were hoping for.



April 2, 2020

Social Distancing, 2020. Holly Lay (@hollographic).



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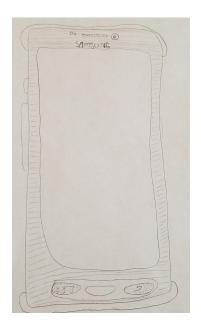
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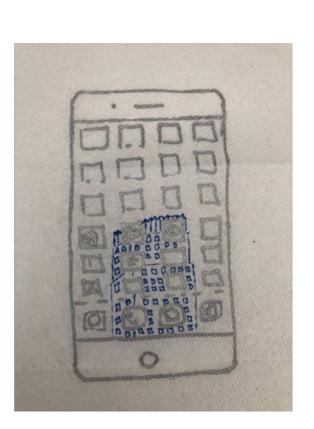




A drawing from the "End of the World" series by Eri King and Daniel Greer @eridanstudio

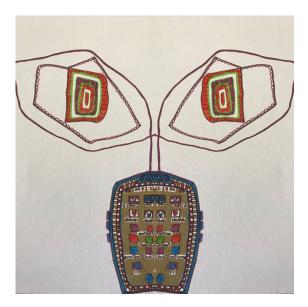
by Keely Arellano @ayye.keely





by Allen Linnabary @blizzard517

by Linda Kerlin @lindakerlinart

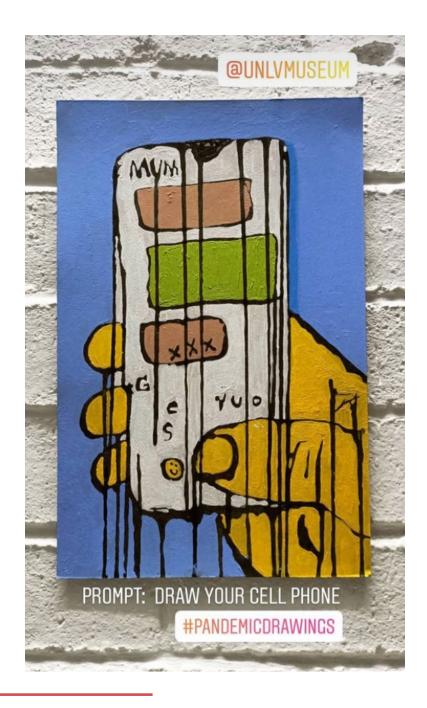




by Joyce Hedelund @joycerainbowart

by Joshua Kingston @mascotdevelopment





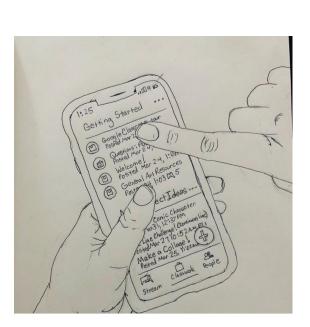
by Shaun Weston @shaunwestonart



by Maeve @maevehero

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by Christel Polkowski @sightbeyondsight

by Marianne Campbell @froggydoesart





by Dan Hernandez @xdan45x

by Benson Kim





by Faye (age 4) and Alisha Kerlin @alishakerlin

by Kate (age 6) and Annie Savage @whymomsavage





by Beverly Neas @vegasmammy

by Eva J. Scoville @ejscoville





April 3, 2020

Warm Embraces by Jess Vanessa (@jessvanessaa) 2020.

"The topic of my loved ones had me reflecting on how important an embrace is, and their emotional significance. How most of my core memories of security, reassurance, and peace comes from an embrace (especially from a loved one). And with today's circumstances, an embrace or the memory of an embrace reminds us that this too will pass."





by Eva J. Scoville @ejscoville

by Joey Fauerso @joeyfauerso and Marisa Sage @likethespice





by Sue Bunyan @sbunyan

by Marianne Campbell @froggydoesart





by Marisa Sage @likethespice and KT Neely @kt.neely

by Tauna Cole-Dorn @tcole_artist



Mon Dad - J. Kysto

by Joshua Kingston @mascotdevelopment

by Marie Martelly @marie_martelly_art





by Christel Polkowski @sightbeyondsight

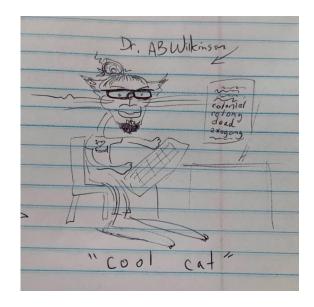
by Fawn Douglas @nuwuart





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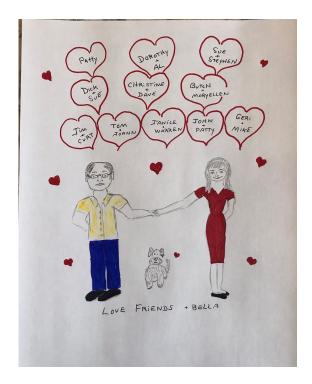


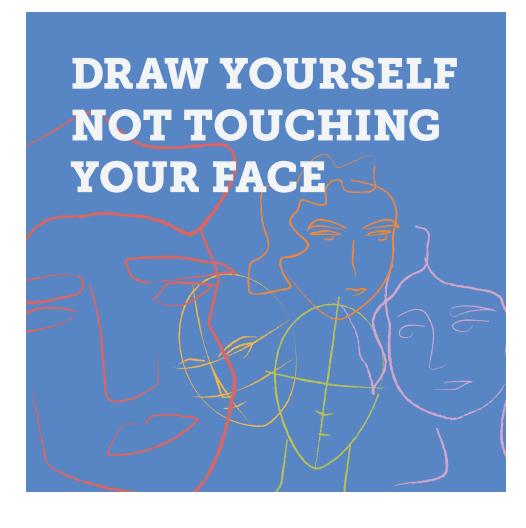
by Chance Smith @vhsdrawing

PAULY SIERRA JEN PHUL DARIN Jolia Julia CASEY RON NOREEN SARAIN ANGELA FAMILY + LOUIE LOVE

by Beverly Neas @vegasmammy

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April 4, 2020

The passion, 1928-2020 (aspersum).

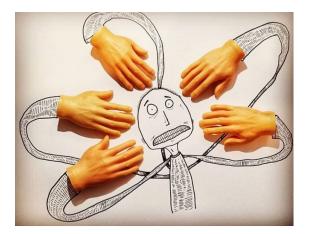
The New Mexico-based artist laura c carlson (@benthosbaby) has amalgamated cinema with garden snails.



The Facialist Grieves

This sudden fissure- my hands, yours, becoming clumsy fists of poison, twin weapons just born. But see, It's my trade to touch your face, to love your orbital bone the way the sun loved me as a childwithout breaking contact. To swoop joyfully the flushed hills of your cheekbones-to cheat gravity, to summon the blood rushing the skin like its own pink catastrophe. These fingers are meant to wake the marma and lymph of your drooping. A prayer I will begin with at the jawbone-I have nothing to give you- my palms are grenades, your face is the sleeping guard at the gate of the flesh. No hyaluronic, no effleurage for all 23 of your working muscles, now gripping the spasm of panic, nothing for the tiny capillaries burstinga field of wild stars along your nose. These thumbs twiddle a dwindling memory of connection, an aching to iron the furrow, to silence the crows. Until again, my hands can strum the instrument of your faceoh temporal, zygomatic mandibular, and those four springy muscles of the mouth-meant for playing the trumpet, whistling for your children to come inside, and for kissing your lover goodbye.

"The Facialist Grieves" by Jennifer Battisti @jennbatt3



by Scott Dickensheets @dickensheets

by Eva J. Scoville @ejscoville





by Christel Polkowski @sightbeyonsight

by Joshua Kingston @mascotdevelopment





by Shaun Weston @shaunwestonart

by Beverly Neas @vegasmammy





April 5, 2020

A watermedia piece by Zet Gold (@zetgold).

"Somehow, I always find myself dreaming about ice-cream and trying to fit them in all the oddest places."





by BE Gutierrez @begutierrezart

by Marianne Campbell @froggydoesart





by Maeve (age 6) @maevehero

by Beverly Neas @vegasmammy



by Alice Bien

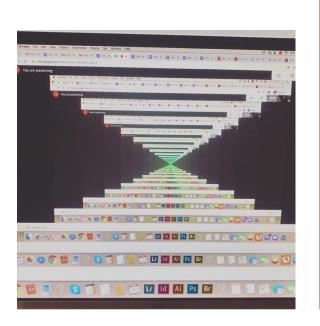




"Me dreaming about the Sun. Day dreaming" by Faye (age 4) and Alisha Kerlin @alishakerlin

"The Giant" "It's not a monster" by Faye (age 4) and Alisha Kerlin @alishakerlin

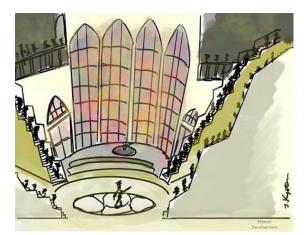




by Homero Hidalgo @homero_alejandro_



by Kim Garland @kimberlina_garfuunk



by Joshua Kingston @mascotdevelopment

by Más Vegas @masvegasclothing





by Sue Bunyan @sbunyan

by Eva J. Scoville @ejscoville





by Shaun Weston @shaunwestonart



by Christel Polkowski @sightbeyondsight

by Keely Arellano @ayye.keely





by Cat Peg @catpluspeg

by Dan Hernandez @xdan45x





April 6, 2020

By Las Vegas artist Richard Guillian (@kiaayo_makes_art) and 11-year-old Marissa Guillian.





by Deborah Roe

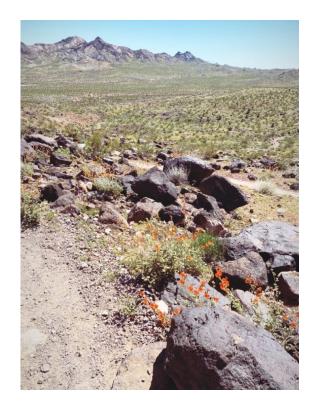


"2014 for @vastspaceprojects" by Alisha Kerlin @alishakerlin



"Pinhole Photo Developed at Home" by Heather Lang-Cassera @heather_lang_

"Taken this past weekend while hiking at McCullough Hills by Jennifer Kleven @jenklev00

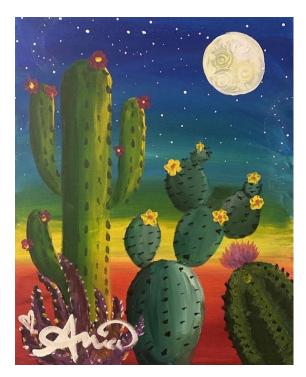




"The Desert in Bloom" by Homero Hidalgo @homero_alejandro_

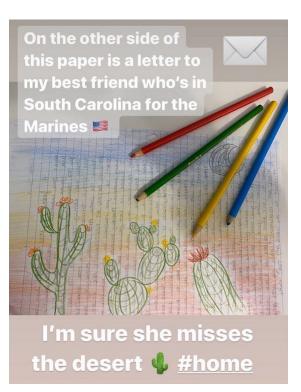
"View from my Balcony" by Christel Polkowski @sightbeyondsight





by @angie.s_art

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by BE Gutierrez @begutierrezart

by Cat Peg @catpluspeg





by Marianne Campbell @froggydoesart

by Eva J. Scoville @ejscoville





by Mariam Wahid @mariamwahid_15

by Marie Martelly @marie_martelly_art





"Blossoms" 2020 by Hilary Pecis @hilary_pecis

23x18 inches acrylic on canvas



by Joshua Kingston @mascotdevelopment

by Nancy Good @nancygood_art





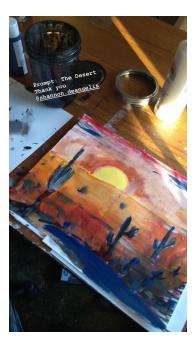
by Rubaab Wahid @rubaab.w

by Sue Bunyan @sbunyan



by Missy Pierce @missy.pierce





by Shannon DeAngelis @shannon.deangelis

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by Beverly Neas @vegasmammy

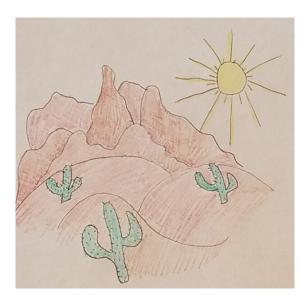
by Chelsea Blake





by Dan Hernandez @xdan45x

by Keely Arellano @ayye.keely





by Malachi Schlink @malacreations

by Maeve (age 6) @maevehero





by Kim Miller @soberinvegas



by Joel Spencer @joelspencerart

by Gloria Quimby





by Gloria Quimby

"Desert Rock" by Gloria Quimby



THANK YOU

This is the first time we've organized a communal social media project of this scale and we couldn't have done it without you. Thanks to our colleagues, particularly the Barrick's graphic designer, Chloe Bernardo, who created title illustrations for every single one of the forty-four prompts. Thanks also to our Instagram team: LeiAnn Huddleston, Alisha Kerlin, Emmanuel Muñoz, and D.K. Sole. Thanks to Paige Bockman and Dan Hernandez, who provided behindthe-scenes support. Thank you to the artists who allowed us to feature their art with each of our prompt posts. In some cases you created entirely new works for us to share and we're grateful. Last, but the opposite of least, the most important thanks go to the contributors, everyone on Instagram who drew and collaged and filmed and painted and photographed it all and tagged us (or emailed it to us) so we could share it with the world You are the best.

Marjorie Barrick Museum of Art Alisha Kerlin Paige Bockman DK Sole LeiAnn Huddleston Chloe Bernardo Emmanuel Munoz Dan Hernandez

Designed by Chloe Bernardo

