

Gender Studies
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I am [REDACTED]. I am a Muslim. And I love playing soccer. Math is my favorite subject. I chose to reflect my identity through poem because it is the better way for me to express my feelings and connected to our society of what type of life I have experimented.

In my art piece, it shows “let’s pretend religion does not exist anymore”. This represents my religion. This connects to my personal life because religion changes my life so much. And it is one of my identities I mostly experimented. It also connects to bigger issues like Religion. Here in U.S Muslims are treated differently than Christians. I think people are treated this way because there are double standards between Muslim and Christians. Christians influence the United States since a long

time ago. I chose to represent this part of my identity in this way because it is the most important identity I ever had.

In my art piece, it shows “but in reality I am boy”. This represents my gender. This connects to my personal life because I was living with girls only in my country for a long time ago. It also connects to bigger issues like homophobia because there are a lot of homophobias in this country that are misunderstanding. And it connects to the video “love is all you need “. I think people are treated this way because they just hate them. They just do not like the way they are, to be different from others. I chose to represent this part of my identity because it is important to know the difference between gender and sex.

In art piece it shows “they are just memories”. This represents my family structure. This connects to my personal

life because I remember when I have been in my country. All my family left without taking me with them. It connects to bigger issues like ethnicity because the reason why they want me to stay is to be with my grand parents uncles aunts to teach for being a good Muslim, to respect my tradition, to have a good behavior. Cause ethnicity influence my country. I chose to represent this part of my identity because it makes me feel relax that I pass successfully all of these obstacles.

In conclusion, this art piece represents me because religion, gender and family structure are the most important axes of my identity. It is important to consider all of our axes of identity when defining who we are because it matches with our intersectionality, to express the way you feel, to see how people treat you and how are you different from others.