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I'm the kind of person that keeps to myself, but I can open up to people with my art. I have a passion of art: drawing, painting, clay, making unique things, decorating rooms or items, even collages. I have been drawing since I knew how to hold a crayon. I was three when I sat in excitement on my very first flight on an airplane. By that age, all I ever wanted to do was draw and color anything I could get my hands on. I sat there in my seat on the airplane, bored. To keep myself busy, I brought along all of my colored pencils and my sketch pad and zoned into my own world. I drew an airplane, like the very one I was on. My mom, sitting beside me, was amazed. Though I could not see the outside of the airplane we were on, my plane was a match for it. My artist's eye captured when we sat in the lobby of the airport and watched them all ease off into the sky. Mom was astounded by what I had put onto that paper, what a three year old had drawn. She still has that picture from my first flight saved and stored away. I guess she had some way of knowing that art was my one talent I could explore through my life.

My family has always wanted me to pursue a college degree in art. It came so naturally. I'm a very creative person, so I like expressing myself in art. You can do it on your own, in your own way without someone telling you how to do it, like they do in sports, group activities, and clubs. Art is something that can describe you without even speaking. It can tell a story. It can amaze people, and let them see things from another perspective and in different ways. I love showing off any art of any kind that I do, just to

see my advances, people's expressions, thoughts, and opinions. It doesn't only make me feel good, but I can amaze people at the same time. Art defines who I am and what I'm good at and it's just a feeling of finally figuring out that it's something I could be happy doing the rest of my life.

My junior year I took two art classes, and now my senior year I'm taking two crafts classes. I get so excited walking into those classes, because it's like the whole world and all its problems are blocked out. By taking these classes I can express myself and improve, and hopefully find courses for college and a job that involves art. I haven't decided what kind of art-related job I would like to do, whether it's interior designing, painting, teaching art, illustrating. If I keep myself involved in doing art and crafts classes in high school and continued to do the same in college, it would evolve. Naturally, just as my talent and passion for art has come so naturally.