

2023 Winner

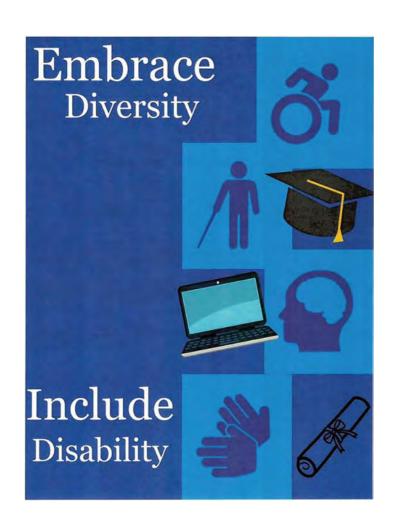
Artist Name: Kimberley Mowatt

<u>Image Title:</u> My Super Power

Artist description:

I think that all people have their own special powers and abilities. My motivation is to inspire others to work on their strengths and not their weakness. People tend to see their disability but not their abilities. The character of the person and what they bring to the team.





Alexandria Sieben

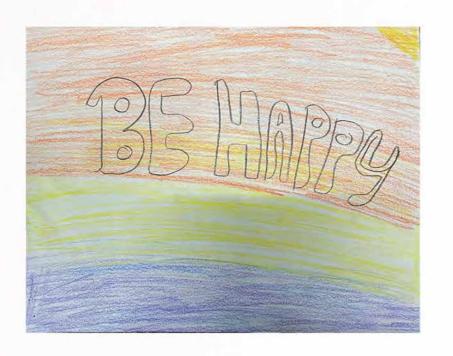
Image Title:

Equality and Equity

Artist description:

This design I made to embrace differences. Everybody should know their worth even if they have disabilities that affect their everyday life.





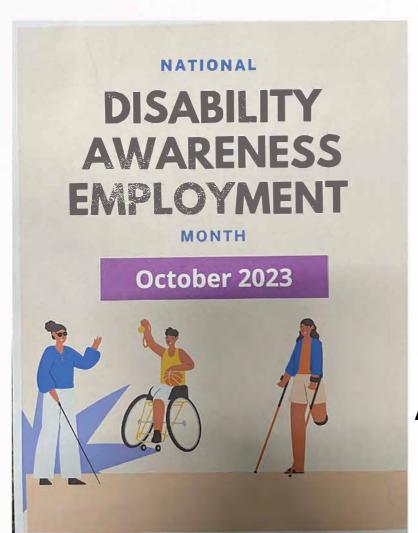
Artist Name: Alisyn Peck

<u>Image Title:</u> Happiness

Artist description:

Happiness is something we all deserve to have. I would like for this piece of art to make someone smile.





Avian Pettigrew

Image Title:

Disability
Awareness Poster

Artist description:

It is important to me because I have family members that have disabilities. To see what they have to go through it for the rest of their life. So this means so much to me just as it is to the people with disabilities.





Bradley Wilson

Image Title:

Make Art
Possible for
Disabilities

Artist description:

Art is a feel better thing. Employment is important for people with disabilities. I feel better when I am working.





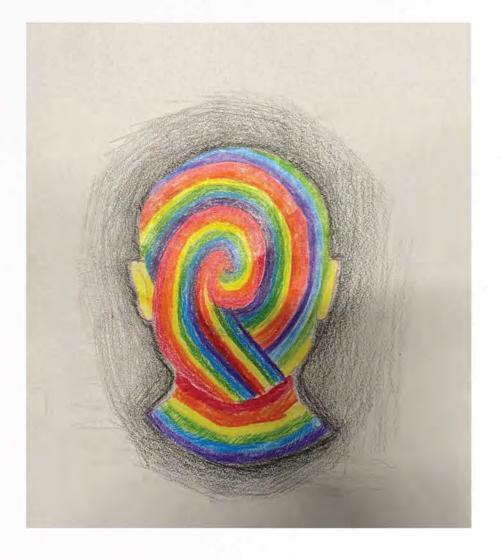
Bryden Fuemmeler

Image Title:
Inclusion and
Influence

Artist description:

Every individual deserves equal rights and opportunities, regardless of their race, gender or ability. I used art as a medium to raise awareness or promote inclusion in society.





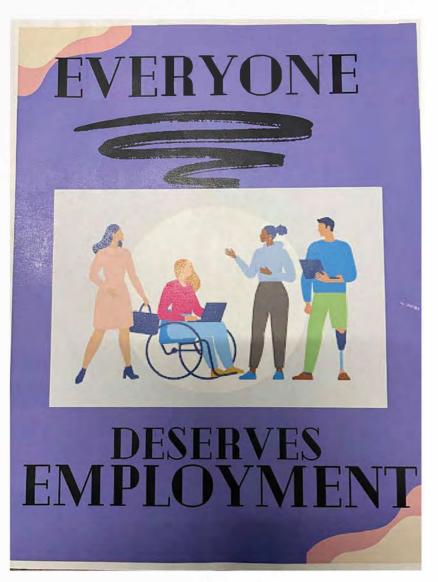
Artist Name: Cade Moncier

Image Title: Colorful Thinking

Artist description:

This artwork represents the idea that everyone has a voice to speak their opinions and ideas to the rest of the world but only few have the privilege to be heard.





<u> Artist Name:</u>

Carly Cisne

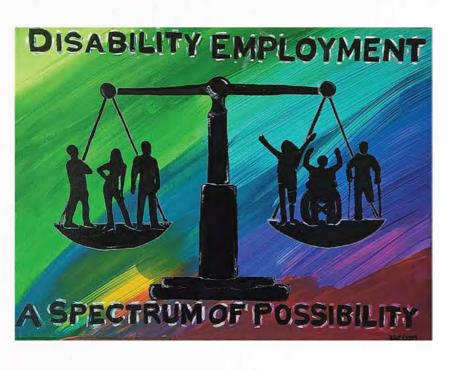
Image Title:

Everyone Deserves Employment

Artist description:

I wanted to create something that was simple and straight to the point. I love how the image shows the togetherness between both the people with a disability and those without one that can be witnessed in the workplace.





Artist Name: Daniel Kirk

Image Title:
Workplace
Diversity through
Disability
Employment

Artist description:

Employment for individuals with disabilities is important to me because we have so many unique skills and abilities to offer the everyday workforce. We are overlooked because the focus is on our limitations. We have the desire to be integral and fully functional members of society all we need is the opportunity and you will see us shine.





Artist Name: David Kirk

Image Title:
Employment
Designing the
Perfect Fit

Artist description:

Individuals with disabilities have been solving problems their whole lives. Employees with disabilities can also offer creativity, innovation, and varied perspectives on how to confront challenges and get the job done.





Artist Name: Dyron Williams

<u>Image Title:</u> How I See Myself

Artist description:

Feeling included in my work environment makes me happy. I am always treated with respect and kindness. I want to send out the message that being good at different hobbies is something to be proud of.





Artist Name: Emily Chase

<u>Image Title:</u> Together We Can

Artist description:

The motivation for this piece was together we can make a change. We are the puzzle pieces that make the world go round. We need each piece of the puzzle to make this world work.





Artist Name: Erica Wisdom

<u>Image Title:</u> Sunset

Artist description:

My vision for special education is to design not only classroom environments but also the outside world in society. I feel all persons, disabilities or not should be able to navigate freely in their world. I painted a sunset and wrote a poem to inspire others to also help design spaces where everyone can enjoy nature and the natural world.





<u>Artist Name:</u>

Evelyn Nelson

Image Title:

Access and Equity

Artist description:

Show that everyone deserves to have the ability to do what anyone else can do. If a person is willing to work they should be able to do just that. No one should be turned down and told they can't work simple because of something they were born with and have no control over.



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Artist Name:

Fox Berry

Image Title:

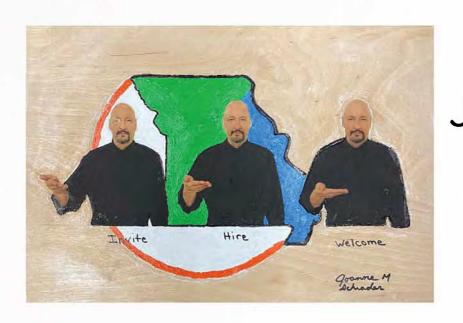
Disability
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Artist description:

This drawing lets people in wheelchairs get what they need in order to wash their hands. Also being able to do it efficiently with no problems.







<u>Artist Name:</u> Joanne Schrader

<u>Image Title:</u> Open Invitation

Artist description:

My husband has disabilities. He did not let it stop him from working. Just like so many others in the workforce with accommodations and new skills, he succeeded. In ASL, the sign for "Invite", "Hire", and "Welcome" are the same. A perfect conceptualization of employment inclusion.





Artist Name: Kayla Kehl

Image Title: Medley

Artist description:

A workplace that is intentional and willing to focus on what an employee can offer will not only provide a more dynamic work environment, but will also provide people with an opportunity to find and use their strengths to contribute to the company's vision.





Kennedy Shell

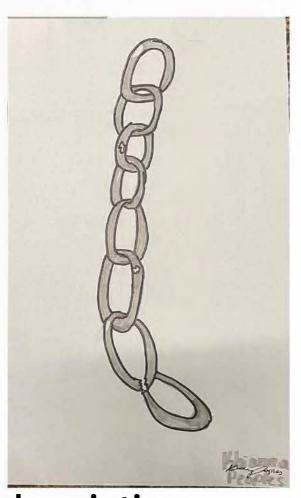
Image Title:

The Fence of Employment Opportunity

Artist description:

People all around us have disabilities and need different things. The fence represents employment opportunities and how different people need different things to be able to have access to them. There is a ramp, stairs, and the man has a cane.





Artist Name: Khianna Peoples

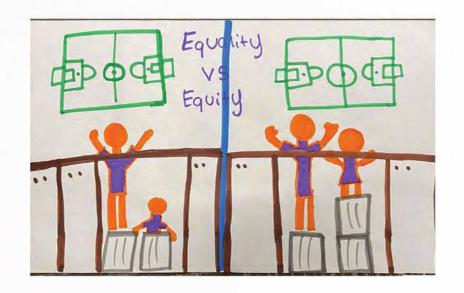
Image Title:

No Chain is as Strong as its Weakest Chain

Artist description:

I think there is no excuse for employers, businesses, individuals who are not inclusive. Employment inclusion to me, means hiring people, train them for it. No one should be treated inequitable just because they have a disability, they just need more help. We need everybody.





<u> Artist Name:</u>

Kylee Berry

Image Title:

Equality vs. Equity

Artist description:

I think my art work defines the equality of disability and their needs. The importance is the equity of reaching other challenges and involvement disability deserves.





Artist Name: Lamontez Thomas

<u>Image Title:</u> I Have No Label

Artist description:

My motivation for my art work was to raise awareness about the disabled having labels. People with disabilities often get called names or made fun of. This world and society we live in is cruel. We label people all the time without even knowing.





<u>Artist Name:</u>

Lilly Wilson

<u> Image Title:</u>

Inclusion

Artist description:

My motivation was that everyone needs to be included. No matter the color, gender and size, or if they have a disability or not.





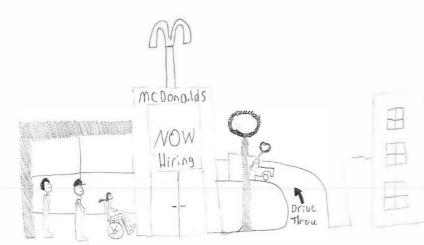
Artist Name: Madaleighanna Porter

<u>Image Title:</u> All In

Artist description:

We should all be included with disabilities or not. We are worth it. Disabilities are important to me because my cousin has a disability, he is in a wheelchair and has been in one his whole life.





Malachi Curnutt

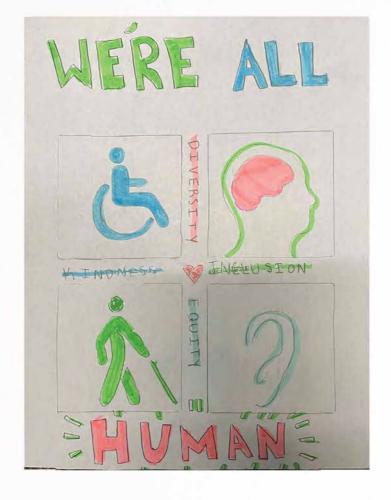
Image Title:

McDonalds Now Hiring

Artist description:

I think the need for equality for the disabled is very high. My brother is disabled and is saddens me that it will be very hard to get employed.





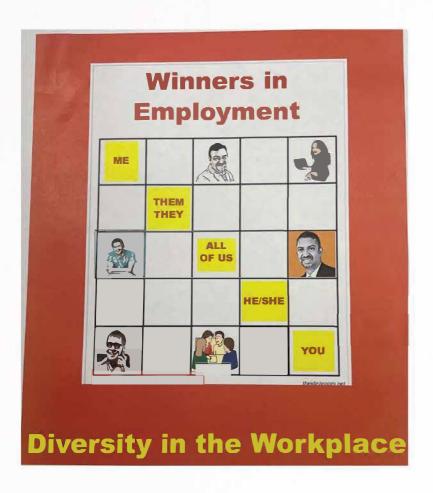
Artist Name: McKenzie Haynes

<u>Image Title:</u> We are all human

Artist description:

Employment of individuals with disabilities is important to me because I believe in equity. People who have disabilities are still human, who deserve just as much as everyone else. I am friends with people who have disabilities and they should have the right to work just as others do.





Artist Name: Nancy Day

Image Title:
Winners in
Employment

Artist description:

Employment productivity, I believe, is the key to a happy life. Everyone can contribute, regardless of his/her level of ability.





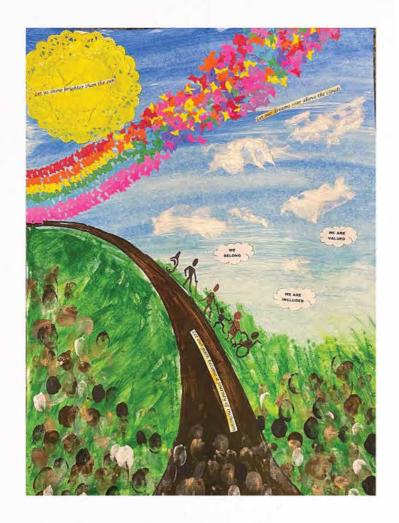
<u>Artist Name:</u> Nya Cram

<u>Image Title:</u> The Change

Artist description:

The motivation is that I have worked with Special Olympics for 6 years now and to see those kids grow and get jobs and be successful is my goal.





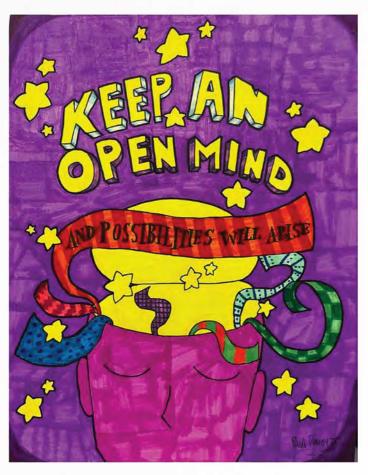
Artist Name: Pamela Dahlgren

<u>Image Title:</u> Soar with No Limits

Artist description:

My daughter had disabilities and she proved to be more than others could imagine her to become. I work with children and young adults and know the joy it brings to be included, work and be apart of something. I want them to soar above expectations!





Paul Davey

Image Title:

Open Minded

Artist description:

Employment inclusion shows that all employees are welcome even ones with creative thinking. It makes a person feel welcome at work even with disability they will find work that is right for them. This artwork is to show what having an open mind feels like and maybe it would motivate people with work.





Artist Name: Sarah Berry

<u>Image Title:</u> Tree of Inclusion

Artist description:

I am a substitute teacher for summer school and wanted to do something special to include everyone. When you look beyond the disability, we are all the same and can contribute in our own special ways. When you take the "dis" away, everyone has the ability.





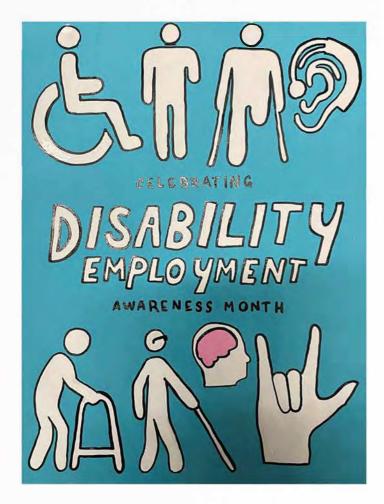
Artist Name: Savannah Skaggs

Image Title:
Inclusion Unlocks
Opportunity for All

Artist description:

If a business hired people with disabilities, they would see that we are very capable, and people with disabilities would fee represented when they come to that business. Our community would see that everyone has qualities and skills that make them valuable, they just need a chance.





<u> Artist Name:</u>

Tyler Dixon

Image Title:

Inclusivity

Artist description:

I find motivation in the power of creativity to raise awareness during Employment Disability Awareness Month. Through art, I aim to encourage inclusivity and to encourage a society where everyone's abilities are celebrated and valued.

