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## Ronnie Gunderman

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### Bio

Ronnie Gunderman is a queer neurodivergent artist who is stationed in Northwest Arkansas. They are currently pursuing their Bachelors of the Fine Arts at the University of Arkansas. Growing up, they had attended Catholic schools, and the influence of religion is a source of inspiration for most of their art. Their practice consists of collage-like work with a use of varying material such as textiles and found objects to create silly and critical images of religion in the modern world. They are currently focusing on wearable art and costuming.

### Artist Statement

I am a multimedia visual artist who works to understand my own religious upbringing through a critical and satirical lens. I incorporate Catholic imagery and beliefs into my work in a distorted way creating a style which shows my changing childhood perspectives through silly and horror-like elements. I aim to critique religious morals and the psychology of believers in the modern world through more experimental practices such as costume making and wearable sculpture art along with the more traditional methods of painting and drawing. Each piece I create works to reexamine my relationship with religion and the often-paradoxical values held in the Catholic church with the hope that those who are non-religious will see the humor while those that are will reevaluate their formerly held beliefs.