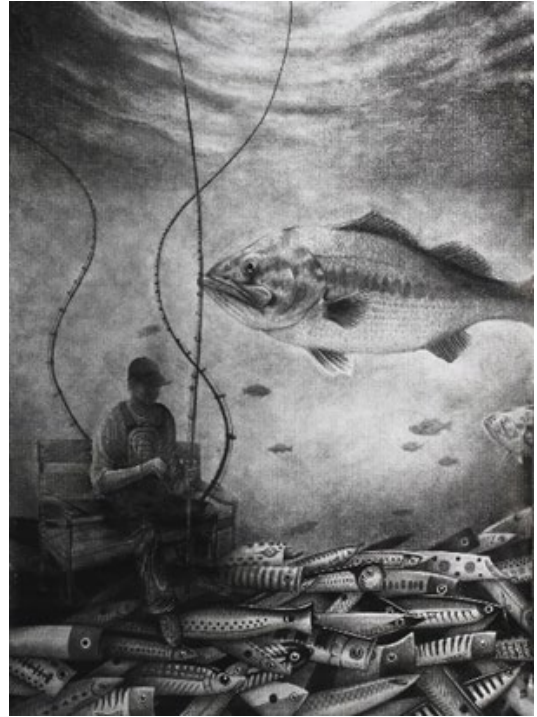


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Connor Klein

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Bio

Connor Klein is a 2D mixed media artist creating illustrative and stylized pieces incorporating the various aspects of fishing; mental state, gear, and wildlife. His primary media are graphite, charcoal, and colored pencil. Klein received a best of show award at the Rogers Art Conference, the River valley arts center collegiate competition, and two first place prizes at the AYAA Conference. He was born in Kansas City, Missouri and was raised in Bentonville, Arkansas. He is currently completing his Bachelor of Science in Art and Business Administration degree at the University of the Ozarks. Klein has been making art his entire life and is currently embedding his passion for the outdoors within his artworks. He plans to make positive changes in the outdoors by promoting conservation efforts through his artwork.

Artist Statement

My artwork combines multiple visual perspectives from dreamlike spaces, thoughts, to more realistic aspects. My artworks consist of graphite, marker, charcoal, collage, and colored pencil drawings.

The artwork consists of three main subjects, the act of fishing, the various species of fish, and the baits used to catch them. The subject of fish symbolizes the target or goal in mind. The fish you chase after, all live in different environments, have specific attitudes, and various coloration. The baits represent intrusive or overwhelming thoughts creeping into the tranquil experience. The baits are represented in a graphic style, to depict a more physical presence.

In life you have many choices as in fishing: The bait, the style of fishing, the targeted species, the cast, the location, or time. The choices you make are up to you, but if you think too much you ruin the experience you set out to have. The combination of all three subjects create a dreamlike state to represent where your mind escapes.