

Amy Sue McPartlan & Jessica Vitucci

Amy Sue McPartlan, Teacher

In her book, *Learning By Heart*, Sister Corita Kent wrote "good sources come naturally out of what the teacher is filling herself with and become . . . the . . . materials that are new assignment[s]." I find that

one of the best parts of being a visual artist and a public school art educator is selecting an idea from the timeline of human creativity and fashioning a prototype project in my studio to share at a later date in the classroom. Making these springboard samples tests the intended student

joy that I pray for and provides an immense supply of personal fun.

Amy Sue McPartlan is an art teacher at Wantagh High School in Wantagh, New York.



Jessica Vitucci, Student

Art is a form of expression that I'm very comfortable with. I definitely consider myself to be a visual person and art enables me to constantly find new ways to reveal myself and be creative. I love using a broad variety of subjects in my work, as well as utilizing numerous, different forms of media. Currently, the medium that I prefer working with is charcoal. I especially like using charcoal to shade

and portray subject matter with extreme high contrast in black and white. In addition, I enjoy drawing when mixing Prismacolor pencils and chalk pastels together because of the way these materials blend when combined.

Jessica Vitucci is a senior at Wantagh High School in Wantagh, New York.



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