

Faith Jessup & Morgan Everhart

Faith Jessup, Teacher. I paint from observation and from my imagination. In my studio, I often illuminate small plastic animals with a table lamp and, through the process of painting them, conjure them into life. A tiny plastic chicken becomes a proud hen who has laid impossibly large eggs. Green lizards circle around the base of a bouquet, like fallen leaves. I like to create a heightened sense of reality by imagining my animals and objects as actors on a darkened stage with a single source of light intensifying their presence.



While I consider myself to be a realist painter, my interest lies in creating a world of impossibilities.

Faith Jessup is an art teacher at Guyer High School in Denton, Texas.



Morgan Everhart, Student. Throughout my adventure into art so far, I have been trying all different kinds of media. It has been easy for me to get a feel for any media that I use, and I find that it is important to display the connection of emotions between my subject matter and myself. This year, I developed a feel for oils, charcoal, and Prismacolor Pencils. I love blending and layering the colored pencils and I also enjoy the juiciness of oil paint.



Morgan Everhart is a senior at Guyer High School in Denton, Texas.



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