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Dear Guests of the Showcase:

Hello, my name is Emma Cross and I love art. It's always been there for me since I was a kid. I mostly picked up due to watching cartoons and anime as a kid, since sadly I was very sickly and would have to stay home. Due to that I'm a very shy person and struggle because of this socially. But I love to help people, especially through my work. I love encouraging others and giving them the spotlight. I understand that it's a bit harder when you're an artist to get your work out there, so I always encourage and share people's work if I can to help them.

I knew I wanted to do something with younger kids and art. I was originally going to do a class but I had to change it due to current circumstances. Then I remembered art magazines are like a socially distanced art showcase. So I got in contact with Cathi Molay and we got to work on the first NCSzine. It wasn't easy though, I had never done something like this and I knew lots of research would be involved and I was essentially making this by myself. Not to mention having to do this with my school schedule was a bit hard. But I was motivated by my mentor, all of the wonderful teachers who agreed to work with me, and all of the incredible work I received while I worked.

This assignment was hard and a bit overwhelming. I had to learn how to make a zine all by myself. There was lots of trial and error, especially since we had limited resources and time. I did gain the experience I needed to work on big solo projects and the manufacturing needed to complete them. My project is a bit out of the box but I would recommend more kids doing this, it was fun and pushed me to my limits.

Thank you for looking at my project and learning more about me!

Sincerely,

EMMA CROSS