

Art can inspire action. My painting was created as a visual representation of some aspects of the poem I submitted. It plays off the part about plastic pollution and the dangers that can come about for marine life. Sea turtles are known for mistaking plastic bags for moon jellies and other types of jellies. My painting exemplifies the sea turtle in action and its innocent but fatal mistake. The medium for the painting consists of oil paint on a plain canvas. My hope for creating this piece is to increase awareness of the plastic pollution in our oceans and what it does first hand. When people see my painting and understand events through the sea turtle's eyes, my hope is that they will be more inclined to do their part as eco stewards.