As an artist, I have found that too often I make work about unhappy subjects, with no emotional reward or payoff. This time, however, I chose to make work about something that truly makes me happy.

For my Final Project, I made a pond. I dug through solid asphalt, gravel, and compact sand to create a deep impression. I surrounded the pond with found stones and small plants. I chose to make this pond to represent my path to contentment and personal happiness.

I have lived close to nature and water for my entire life. I have come to realize that I am at my happiest while in the natural world. Nature is the perfect place to explore who I truly am.

This pond is the perfect representation of where I am most content. It represents happiness, tranquility, and peace.

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