Ratings Mixed media with collage \$300

Tara Choate



Tara Choate Artist Statement

"Ratings" was inspired by the scene on page 116 where Jade goes to the Dairy Queen and there is a group of boys. As she leaves, she muses about who teaches boys to rate women as body parts.

The shapes are meant to invoke

the variety of shapes of the human body, but the legs that dominate the piece are designed to showcase the desperation of trying to live with the harsh rules of a sexist, racist, and unjust society.

The piece was started in with torn up paintings and collaged into the current form. Some paint was added to create design elements. The final touch was the numbers, which were hand drawn in ink.

"Rating" can be purchased for \$300. Please contact the artist if you are interest in this piece or any of the other pieces on her website.

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Tara Choate paints from her home base of Salem, Oregon. She has

Society of Oregon (WSO) in 2009. While she paints primarily in

watercolor, she has recently added some acrylic and collage to her repertoire.

You can view a gallery of Tara's works, as well as upcoming events and works in progress at <u>www.tarachoate.com</u>.

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