

ARTIST STATEMENT WRITING PROMPTS

Respond to questions or topics suggested below in a word processing document. Following your upload within the Birds in Art Forms, a Museum staff member then drafts a statement from the provided answers.

1. What inspired your title choice for this artwork?
2. Why this particular bird?
3. If the subject of this artwork has broader societal or environmental implications, please explain.
4. Did creating this artwork challenge you and cause you to modify or expand your techniques, observations, impressions of the subject, or experiences overall? Were there any obstacles; if so, please elaborate.
5. What fuels your interest in art? Why do you continue creating?
6. Was there a teacher or early mentor who influenced your decision to create art? If so, describe this person and how their influence inspired or challenged you. How is this influence reflected in your exhibited work?
7. Is there anything in particular you would like the viewer to notice about your artwork selected for the 2025 *Birds in Art* exhibition? Why is this detail important to the overall artwork?
8. If you think about artworks having the ability to tell a story, please share the story of your *Birds in Art* artwork.
9. Share a personal anecdote about your life as an artist.
10. Describe a typical day and your working habits in the studio, workshop, or foundry.
11. Please describe your career, other than being an artist, and how your profession complements or contrasts your studio practice.
12. As a child, what did you want/hope to do when you grew up? How does today's reality differ from your childhood aspirations?
13. If you had to select a historical artist and a contemporary artist to join you for dinner, who would you invite ... and why?