











Miley Cyrus has always been a huge inspiration to me and a great role model. Being so carefree and genuine, Miley taught my teenage self how to not only love my flaws, but turn them into my best assests. Her unapologetic, self loving spirit encouraged me to grow out of my self consious, socially awkward self. Both her music and fashion sense helped shape me as an individual.

Brandon Stanton, founder of Humans of New York, is a portrait photographer who posts daily photos of people alongside their stories. Through his work, Stanton breaks through our social constructs and preconceived notions regarding class, race, gender, etc. and reminds us that were not so different from one another. I often found myself quite comfortable in my own shoes, rarely allowing myself to see the other persons perspective. Stanton's work forced me to think about someone other than myself at least once a day, an invaluable lesson I learned through art.



Banksy, an anonymous graffiti artist, caught my interest years ago. Drawn to his political and moral opinions displayed through art, Banksy's work will always catch my attentions. Often using dark humor, Banksy reminds us as a society that we're far from perfect, since we seemingly often forget. I like how graffiti can make you question the governent and the descisions made by our leaders.