

When I began researching for my final project I wanted to create something that opened a discussion about an issue that many of my peers, including myself, struggle with -- an issue that is often stigmatized in society. This is how I began to focus on the topic of intrusive thoughts and how they evolve into obsessive, compulsive behaviors. I decided an artistic approach would allow me to take the struggles I and many others experience and put it into a piece of consumable media to help those who do not suffer from constant intrusive thoughts understand the strain it puts on one's everyday life.

I used layered glass paintings to portray my concept because the separation of these different thoughts from the subject shows the distorted version of them that is projected to people due to the intrusive thoughts. The center panel is the subject of the piece, and they are surrounded by four panels that represent these thoughts. Through this piece I hope to encourage those who do not suffer from intrusive thoughts to become more aware of the strain they cause on a person's daily life.

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