

Throughout the six weeks that I've spent at Oxbow, not only have I learned so much about the various ways to create art and greatly developed my art skills, but I have also been granted the opportunity to reflect on the relationships with those around me. I noticed that some of the fondest moments that I have experienced with friends and family were shared over a meal. From nightly family dinners to sharing a bag of ramen between friends on the dorms' balcony, these moments were pivotal in the development of our bonds.

For my final project, I decided to create a cookbook because I want to conceptualize the power that food has in strengthening relationships. This cookbook is centered around my favorite family recipe that my mom often prepares to celebrate our achievements or to comfort us during our lowest times. I translated this idea through the use of an accordion book. This medium allows me to smoothly take my audience through the process of producing this recipe on one side of the accordion to how it will be enjoyed immediately on the opposite side. Additionally, I incorporated supplemental textures into this book to represent the unique textural palette of this dish. To achieve this, I individually cut out copies of the details and attached them to the illustration.

I hope to convey the value of shared meals and how it can amplify the growth of individual relationships through this piece.

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