

Angry? -> VOTE.

For my painting, I kept it very simple. I know that nearly every single person in the United States is at least a little unsatisfied with some aspect of politics, some more than others. I know that I'm very, very angry- what with the weakening of the EPA, the laughing stock that is the Presidency (just ask the United Nations), and even the confirmation of Kavanaugh to the Supreme Court just TODAY, I have had enough. Thankfully for me and many others my age, this is the first national election that I can vote in! As I point out in my Instagram post, this is the only actual way for the general public to have their voices heard.

The letters in my painting were very quick and easy to make, but the Earth in place of the "O" in "vote" took me a much longer time. It doesn't show that well in photographs, but the shading and detail had to be balanced with the simplicity of the text in the image. I shaded and blended the colors with care in order to show not only the importance of keeping our planet in mind during elections, but also the impact that this has on an international scale. Americans often don't think their vote matters, but as citizens in one of the world's most powerful countries, our voices (unfairly) carry more weight than the voice of entire other countries. When it's Republican, Democrat, and Independent on the ballot, the implications of each individual person carries a lot once the winner is in office. Carefully weighing your options before going to the polls can make a world of a difference.



