Elise Acosta Artist Statement

In my work I like to provoke imagination and try to manipulate my viewer to see into my mind and my feelings. As an introvert with autism, I find that I best express myself through paint rather than traditional forms of communication. In my collections I will take you on my journey through early motherhood to becoming an empty nester, my family's experience through the pandemic, and my life as an autistic person. A lot of my work conveys heavy emotions in a humorous way. Coming from a traditional Puerto Rican family I never felt like I belonged. This feeling of isolation is palpable in many of my collections, and I hope to relate my experiences to all, and have my voice be heard.