Human to Human Interaction Personal Statement

We were born and live in this world, surrounded by people just like us. Human to human interaction is a very important component of the success of people. In addition, the ability to communicate is necessary for us to not forget our past, roots, ancestors.

In my artwork, the communication of my relatives is depicted. We are six kids in my family, consisting of three boys, three girls. Like all children we play, sometimes fight, but a link of mutual understanding, support and help towards each other unites us. We are all different, however our interests and family’s history, past always brings us together.

Through my work I want to show that when communicating, we feel emotions associated with the Armenian Genocide, and retell the stories once heard from our grandparents. In my photo, my siblings and I are gathered together in our yard encircled by environmental harmony under the rays of sunlight and first sensation of spring. The object that may stand out to the viewer first, is the Bible. It’s of course significant to my family because we know that it is through God’s power that Armenians survived the horrendous, nightmarish year of 1915. The word “bible” has been taught to us since birth and until this day we continue to enforce it as our number one priority so that God’s words lay in our hearts and soul. With this reason, as the eldest child, I am reading a section of the holy book to the youngest one in the family to signify the importance of interaction between us and God.

Suddenly, my sisters’ conversation grabbed our attention and, distracted from the reading, we joined them. The memory of old photographs and the striking resemblance which they found in themselves surprised me, but at the same time got us interested. We also joined for the search of old images during the Armenian Genocide showing - tormented people wandering through the desert in search of food, water, people suffering from losing their loved ones and hungry, scared children. Thus, communication shows that even with a distraction we learn something new, important by listening to others. Sincerity is the key aspect of interaction since it must always be present, otherwise the person ceases to be himself, and this should not be.
Transferring our attention to the left side of the photo we see how brothers are carefully looking at old albums with photographs of our ancestors including my grandfather’s parents who miraculously survived the Armenian Genocide. The human to human interaction presented in these photographs allows us to see that since then pain, joy and sadness in their eyes helped them stick together. Not knowing them personally, however through hearsay, it obliges us to interact with each other and keep the memories of Armenian people.

Ultimately, to make human to human interaction successful, one needs to work on themselves, use their free time to bond with other people, and most importantly support each other so that history does not repeat itself.