



Explanation of My Artwork

My passion is to become a teacher and inspire children to reach their goals. So recently, when I saw the teachers striking on the news I was inspired to paint this three part piece. It tells a story of how strikes make positive changes in the community. The first picture illustrates a strike happening on a news screen. Then there is a silhouette of a teacher looking upset with her head in her hand. She is thinking of her empty classroom. I think when union members are passionate about their jobs they feel guilty and distressed. But they know that sometimes strikes need to happen to address issues that need to be resolved. The next picture shows the union making an agreement and signing a new contract that reaches new terms that will benefit all union members. One of the many perks of being a part of the union is having a mediator that negotiates on your behalf. The last picture shows that same teacher from the first picture back in her classroom teaching her students. Once a new contract is signed there is no need for strikes. So union members can go back to the job they love doing.