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Haelu's supplement for artistic expression by consumers

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I learned the silk screening process in my Art-31 class, at Bronx Community College. My professor taught me how to prepare the silk board, scan the images selected from magazines, separate the colors of the image, coating the silk screening board and ink the boards.

My themes for the silk screens were Janet Jackson, a man and woman on stage, and Josephine Baker. I chose Janet Jackson because I believe she is a beautiful woman who can act, dance, and perform very well. I also love her because of the way she overcame her demons and struggles in order to make it to the top. The man and woman on stage had wonderful colors of royal blue, black and white. Josephine Baker is like a role model for African American women, such as myself. She was a mixed Native American Cherokee and African woman who could speak six different languages. She was married to husband number four when she lived in France, and traveled the world to fight against segregation for blacks and whites. She adopted children from around the world and called them her rainbow tribe.

Josephine Baker

