

Our group– Isable, Ionnie, Pam, Sage and Yoav – we made a physical fibers piece focusing on our journeys to queer radical self love and acceptance. In our discussions this semester, we repeatedly returned to the ideas of self acceptance and queer joy and the journies we have gone thorugh as individuals and as a part of the

wider tapestry that is the LGBTQ+ community. This piece aims to be a culmination and intersections of those ideas, our journeys personal and as part of a whole weaved together into one piece. While this piece is not technically a quilt, it takes inspiration from the rich history of quilt making in LGBTQIA+ activism. Each member made 3-5 "squares" that were thematically and structurally sewn together, illustrating the ways that our journeys to radical queer joy and self acceptance are inherently connected to one another. We intentionally did not include a backing, leaving gaps between the pieces to symbolize future growth and those stories that are often left out of the narrative.

Through this project we were each tasked with physicalizing moments or themes of self love and queer joy. This sharing and brainstorming became intrinsically part of the project, as did the skills development we went through to teach members the basics of various fiber arts. The emphasis on the group aspect of the project was woven into the tapestry from the beginning, and fostered a deep sense of community between the five members.

Additional photos attached below!









