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Capstone - Photography

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## **Artist Statement:**

## Fearfully and Wonderfully Made

I was born and raised in the church and starting at a very young age girls are taught the idea of modesty and that our bodies are inappropriate. Growing up this idea was shoved into my brain and it was really hurtful. I saw my body as something that wasn't beautiful and was almost a thing about myself to be ashamed of. Trying to cover myself up in order to show I truly followed what I was taught. As I grew up I learned more that my body was my own and that it was made in a beautiful way. However I choose to glorify my body is my own choice and not one to be told to me. I wanted to show this idea through this series. Showing the body as a beautiful thing, almost comparing it to forms of the earth, and photographing my body in abstracted ways. The body is almost a painting with small details and skin running and folding along the paper. I also wanted to show some of the fight in my own self, with the images of me grabbing showing that tension of this idea. The names of the images are pieces of verses throughout the Bible that talk about beauty in one way or another.

Figure 1: Crown of Beauty	Photograph, 11 in x 17 in
Figure 2: Worthy of Praise	Photograph, 11 in x 17 in
Figure 3: More Precious than Jewels	Photograph, 11 in x 17 in
Figure 4: Beauty is Vain	Photograph, 11 in x 17 in
Figure 5: There is Quiet Spirit No Flaw in You	Photograph, 11 in x 17 in
Figure 6: Altogether Beautiful	Photograph, 11 in x 17 in
Figure 7: I Am	Photograph, 11 in x 17 in
Figure 8: Desire	Photograph, 11 in x 17 in
Figure 9: Capture You	Photograph, 11 in x 17 in
Figure 10: Perfection of Beauty	Photograph, 11 in x 17 in
Figure 11: Wonderfully	Photograph, 11 in x 17 in
Figure 12: To Be Praised	Photograph, 11 in x 17 in

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Figure 1: Crown of Beauty

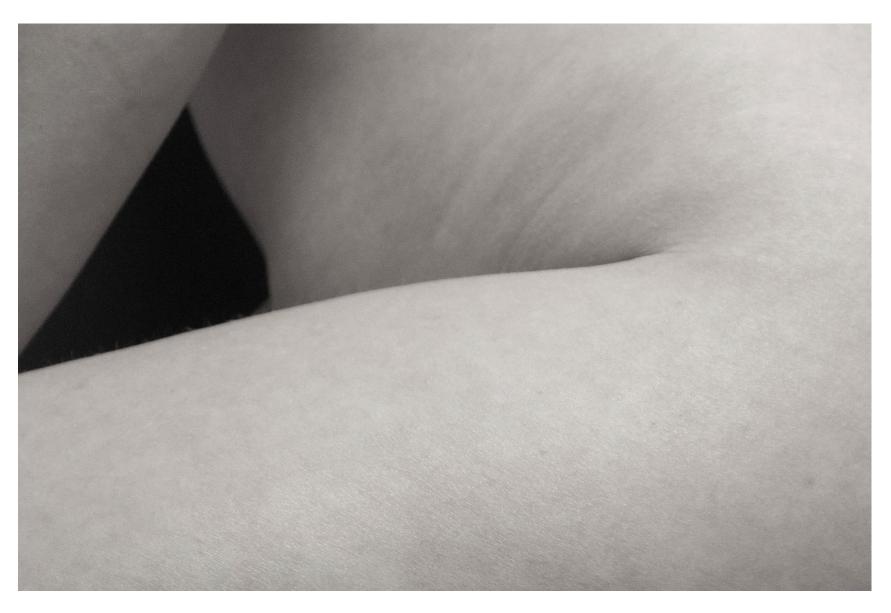


Figure 2: Worthy of Praise



Figure 3: More Precious than Jewels

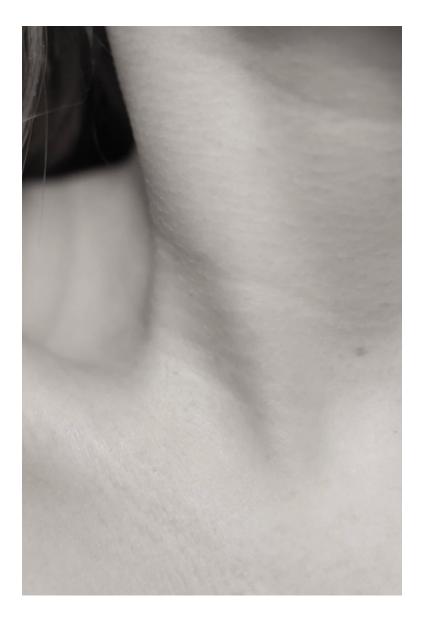


Figure 4: : Beauty is Vain



Figure 5: There is No Flaw in You



Figure 6: Quiet Spirit



Figure 7: Altogether Beautiful

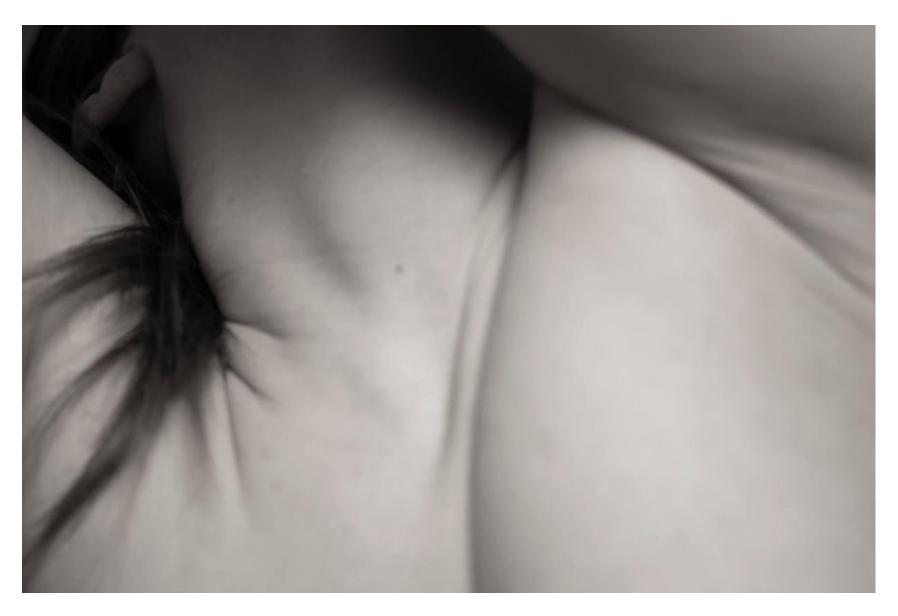


Figure 8: I Am

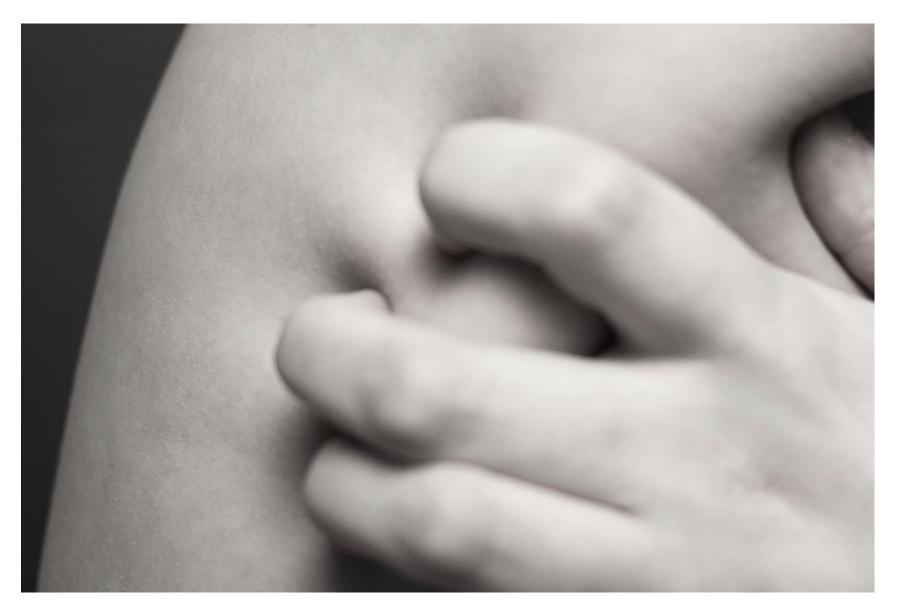


Figure 9: Desire



Figure 10: Capture You



Figure 12: Perfection of Beauty



Figure 13: Wonderfully



Figure 14: To Be Praised