In a virtual gallery opening designed by students on May 8th, Kayla Eremita, Simon Kim, Alexis Pinela, Mackenzie Starr, Jordan Williams, Taylor Woods, and Catherine Yi will showcase their works of art made during their time at home, during the third semester of quarantine.

In light of the ongoing health concerns, this semester’s work was shared exclusively through digital screens. But this couldn’t stop the artists of USC’s ART 420 Topics of Advanced Painting from presenting their respective “PAINTING.JPG” in this end of year virtual gallery exhibition and walkthrough. With the help of their professor, Keith Mayerson, this cohort truly challenged themselves in capturing the depth of metaphor, understanding grief, navigating cultural identity, and reminiscing of better days. This gallery integrates multiple themes exploring the female body, intimate dreamscapes, and enchanting new worlds. Throughout the night, you will hear how the artists found inspiration and developed their enigmatic artwork while managing a fully virtual semester.

The artists come from various backgrounds including, but not limited to Fine Arts, 2D Studies, Animation, Painting, Psychology, Medicine, French, Game Animation, and Visual Narrative Arts.

This is an exciting culmination of these artists’ hard work and dedication over the semester. They are excited to share this gallery with you. All are welcome!