

Gay Feather (2017)

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When I first heard of a flower called Gay Feather I thought it was some sort of joke. But it wasn't, the flower is very real and its purple bloom is quite lovely. However, this painting is a little more of what I was expecting when I heard the term Gay Feather. Of course there is no bird with feathers like this but the colors of the rainbow are hard to miss in this Native American headdress piece.

This small 6x6 painting is dedicated to the LGBT community. Diversity and equality is feared by many in the modern world. Unfortunately the religious right is guilty of spreading this fear. However, if diversity and equality were wrong then I have difficulty understanding why God would make us in so many colors and races? Not to mention the many cultural and religious differences. We should celebrate our differences and leave the judging to our creator. Love should always win, it would certainly be wrong if it didn't.

