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## **SKIN-TO-SKIN**

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This presentation will be a journey and celebration of my body from pregnancy to current time. I am using a series of nude images of myself that will be translated into visual forms of color to render form and shapes. In addition, I will be speaking on how color has gone through a journey in my life and is now being used to visually express my inner love and desire for flesh and the figure. Showing parts of the body that leave us vulnerable to the eyes of the world. We put a lot of stress on ourselves to fit a particular mold of beauty when we really need to be more accepting of how unique each of our bodies really are. Take away this stigma that the naked body must look only a particular way. Much of my work is centered around female energy and female empowerment. Highlighting feminism, body types, body acceptance, and motherhood. The power of feminine beauty is portrayed through my line work and color palettes. My focus is on the line created from the curve of a woman's body and accentuate this through the use of line and different color palettes. My color palettes divert away from traditional colors and focus more on the emotion of a color and how colors work together. The body positive energy felt through color and curves and highlight the importance of loving yourself and your body.