

Growing up, I would sometimes be asked by friends and classmates if people with Cystic Fibrosis have different-looking lungs. I would always have to explain that just because we have mucus in our lungs doesn't change how they look. Then, they would respond with a comment about how gross it is to have mucus in our lungs. To show the beauty in the lungs of people with Cystic Fibrosis, I decided to make an abstract take on lungs using butterfly wings, through the beauty of the wings and the similarities to the patterns in our lungs. Using black tempera paint and crayon, I altered each wing to have its own style and color, resembling the individuality of each Cystic Fibrosis patient.