

ARTISTIC STATEMENT

Our goal for this project was to recreate what Pat felt when she was out on the water. We tried to do that by making a scaled down version of a wind tunnel. The tunnel is small and you can put your face or hand inside of it. There are fans on the bottom so you feel the wind and spritz bottles shoot water which simulates ocean spray. The water will be salt water so it smells like the ocean. Pat lived on a boat for a while in Florida and would often go boating with her husband in Connecticut. They would do lots of activities such as fishing while boating but the thing pat said she loved most was the serenity of just enjoying her surroundings and admiring the beauty of nature around her. Inside the wind tunnel there will be things that you can see that will remind Pat of her time on the water. We are trying to simulate sight, touch, and smell to create an experience as close to being on the water in Connecticut as possible.

I walked out from the cabin and embraced the first gleam of sun in the morning. As I sat still on the boat a strong gust of refreshing wind blew the cold ocean spray in my face replenishing my vibrancy. When the last fog vanished in the light of the sun, I saw two pigeons flying freely above the boundless sea. I smelled the ocean salt in the air as I looked out and saw the calm waves lapping over the wet rocks.