

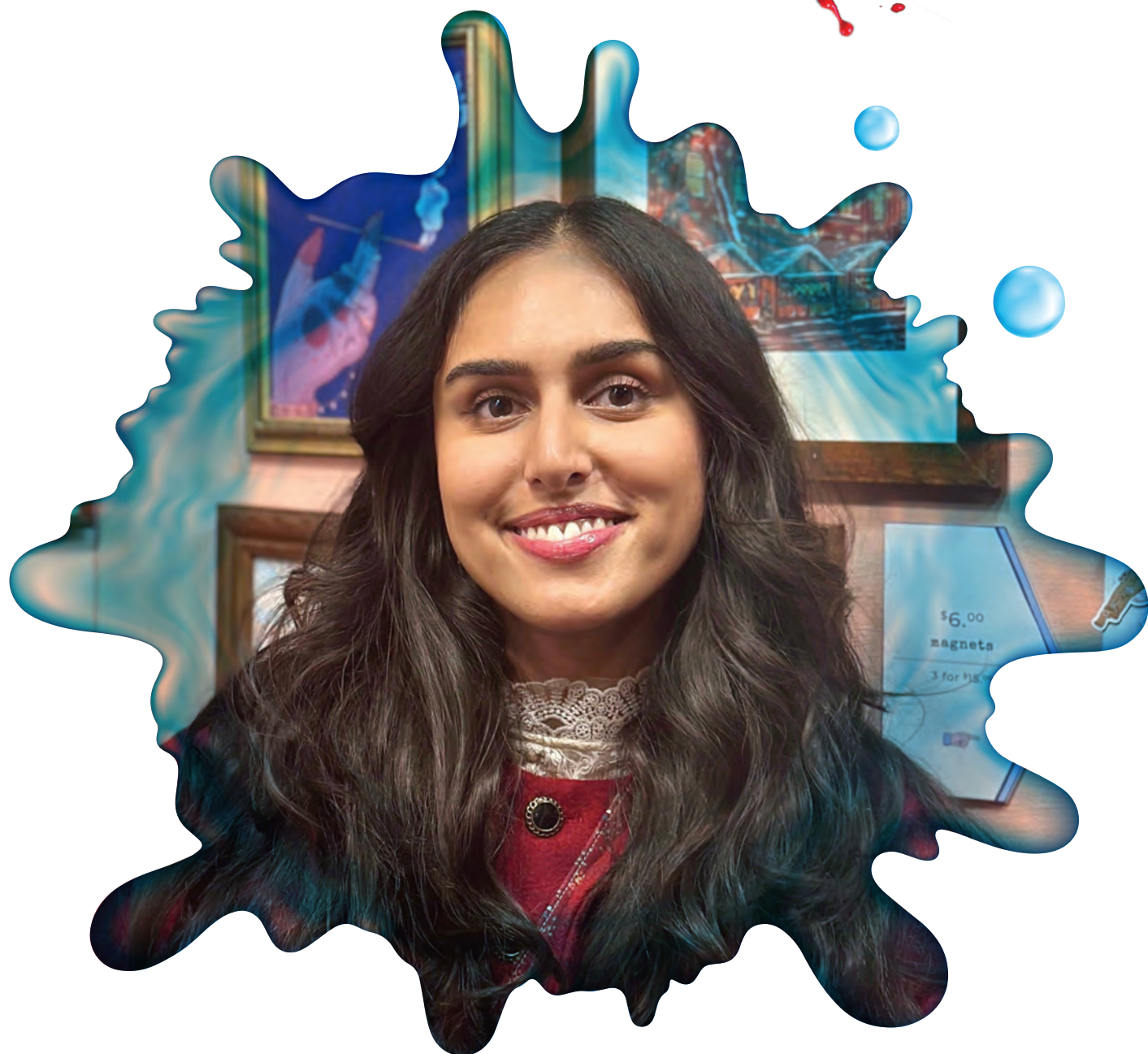


MEET THE ARTIST

SABBIE NARWAL

Sabbie is an artist and nature enthusiast, she often finds inspiration in the local ponds, trails, and wetlands of Brampton. These natural spaces are home to so many of the delightful flora and fauna that inform her art practice - from frogs, turtles, birds and fish to wildflowers, wild grasses and trees. Unfortunately, as the city has grown, she finds that these spaces are increasingly polluted with litter and unclean water. From her experience, much of this can be attributed to a growing disconnect between humans and the impact on the local waterways. Many people simply don't realize that the water flowing into catchbasins from their neighbourhood streets doesn't get filtered—it carries everything it collects straight into our streams and ponds.

Through bold colours and imagery, memorable but informative phrases, her goal is to make stormwater stewardship feel both urgent and simple. If her artwork can make someone pause, smile, and reconsider their daily habits, then she knows it has done its job!



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LIVING STREAMS

@ PARKWAY AVE

The key elements remain bold typography overflowing blue water, and a diverse mix of local wildlife. However, the composition has been adjusted to ensure balance across a wider surface. The turtle, fish and dragonfly have been given a larger home in the waters in this design and have been rearranged to help guide the viewer's eye towards the message of "only rain down the drain!". Inspired by fairytale creatures and children's book illustrations, swirling aquatic plants, sparkles and splashing water help make this mural engaging and inspiring. The curb reinforces the connection between streets and streams with the simple directive, "clean streets = clean streams". Through colour, composition, and storytelling, this mural hopes to inspire both a desire and responsibility for cleaner waterways in Brampton.



STREAMS OF LIFE

@ MAPLE VALLEY STREET

This playful, whimsical mural hopes to educate while inspiring curiosity and action. A bright turquoise splash of water, painted swirling into the catchbasin and onto the street helps catch passersby's attention quickly. This mural represents animals that live in the water, land and skies of Brampton—a local northern pike, midland painted turtle and common green darner dragonfly. This helps highlight the fact that our waterways support wildlife of all forms, as healthy streams and ponds are interconnected with the health of everyone else. The design is also enriched with a whimsical take on wild grasses and flowers found around Brampton's wetlands; this includes water lilies and black-eyed susans. To ground this whimsical mural, there are two simple phrases included. A bold, graphic typeface declares "only rain down the drain!" while a simple directive, "clean streets = clean streams", is placed on the curb. These finishing touches offer a clear explanation and suggestion for the viewer, hopefully prompting them to reconsider some of their everyday habits.

