Everyone copes with death differently, and each coping style can vary significantly. While one person may feel an enormous amount of pain, another might embrace the concept of death with acceptance. Some of the more intense and negative coping styles may develop into a deeper issue, and may jeopardize someone’s mental health, and ultimately, their life. This series touches on multiple different coping styles associated with the grieving process; societal expectations of grief, and the impact death could potentially have on a person’s health.

The ceramic vessels are representative of a human being, and the way the bones interact with that vessel represent how that person copes with the loss. Some pieces are pierced or broken, indicating significant pain that death brings an individual, while other pieces carefully hide death, trying to mask the pain within.