I remember when I was a little girl, I loved playing in the backyard and letting my imagination run wild. In my mind, I would be able to create a fantasy world. I could come up with the craziest adventures in my make-believe world. My imagination allowed me to go to places where I didn’t have to worry. It was my happy place. Looking back on these memories now, I realize that during the process of growing up, people start to lose their creative imagination. When people start to get older, they are faced with a harsh reality and get caught up in life. They lose time only focusing on their daily tasks and assignments. Sure, adults still do like to imagine things, but it’s never quite as playful. I think imagination is important to have because it allows a person to escape from the stresses of reality.

For my SI project, I wanted to reexamine the idea of imagination and relive my childhood fantasies. Perhaps we all can see a little of our childhood dreams in these images displayed.

The artist, Salvador Dali, inspired this project. Most of Dali’s paintings fall into the idea of surrealism and he liked to focus on the subconscious mind.

Being able to see things in a different way helps form creative ideas, and makes it easier for someone to use their imagination. This project allowed me to think outside the box and create new worlds out of ordinary objects.