About Raynes E. Birkbeck

Born in the Bronx, Raynes E. Birkbeck continues to create paintings, sculptures, drawings, and poetry in the city that raised him. In 1995, Raynes was diagnosed with AIDS and began making art to help work through both the mundane and complex problems of everyday life. The self-taught artist paints on canvas and on paper, and now he paints on cows! He is one of thousands of artists participating in our CowParade globally. But Raynes is not just an artist, he is also a God’s Love We Deliver client.

Raynes started receiving meals during the COVID-19 pandemic. He feels such relief knowing that he will have enough nutritious food to create his artwork. Raynes credits God’s Love We Deliver for keeping his spirits up and his body nourished throughout the pandemic. In his own words, “Without them, it would’ve been impossible for a lot of people to make it. There would’ve been more dead. I know God’s Love kept me alive.” When it comes to his favorite medically tailored meals from God’s Love, Raynes loves anything with beef, but he appreciates the way chicken and vegetables make him feel.

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Raynes’s cow will be sold at auction on September 30 to benefit God’s Love. Please contact us at events@glwd.org to learn more about purchasing this cow.

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