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### Musical Self-Portrait

Three important things that I identify with or that describe my personality are my passion for music (especially Mariachi music), my passion for art and my religious beliefs. With my final project I intend to share these three elements of my persona with the public through an interactive musical instrument. This instrument will be made of found objects, mainly glass bottles and anything that I consider relevant or that simply fits a technical purpose. The structure of my instrument will resemble the structure of a chapel to reference religion. The body will be constructed with recycled wood from my paintings to create a connection with my artistic background. Finally I will instruct the audience to perform a traditional Mariachi song that represents my Mexican identity and my passion for Mexican folklore.

The instrument will be installed outside of List Art Center and it will have written instructions for the audience to play my selected song. I may have a second song, this time a church song, to corroborate the connection with religion.

What I hope to get out of this final project is that my audience learns something about me and that I am able to observe the different reactions they may have. Below is a sketch of how my project will look when installed.



Here is also a link to my other work from the semester: <http://camp-er.net/teaching/sp09/foundations/author/daniel/>