

FIN DU PEQ ÉTUDIANT:
International students traumas,
experiences and feelings in
quebec's immigration abrupt
changes.

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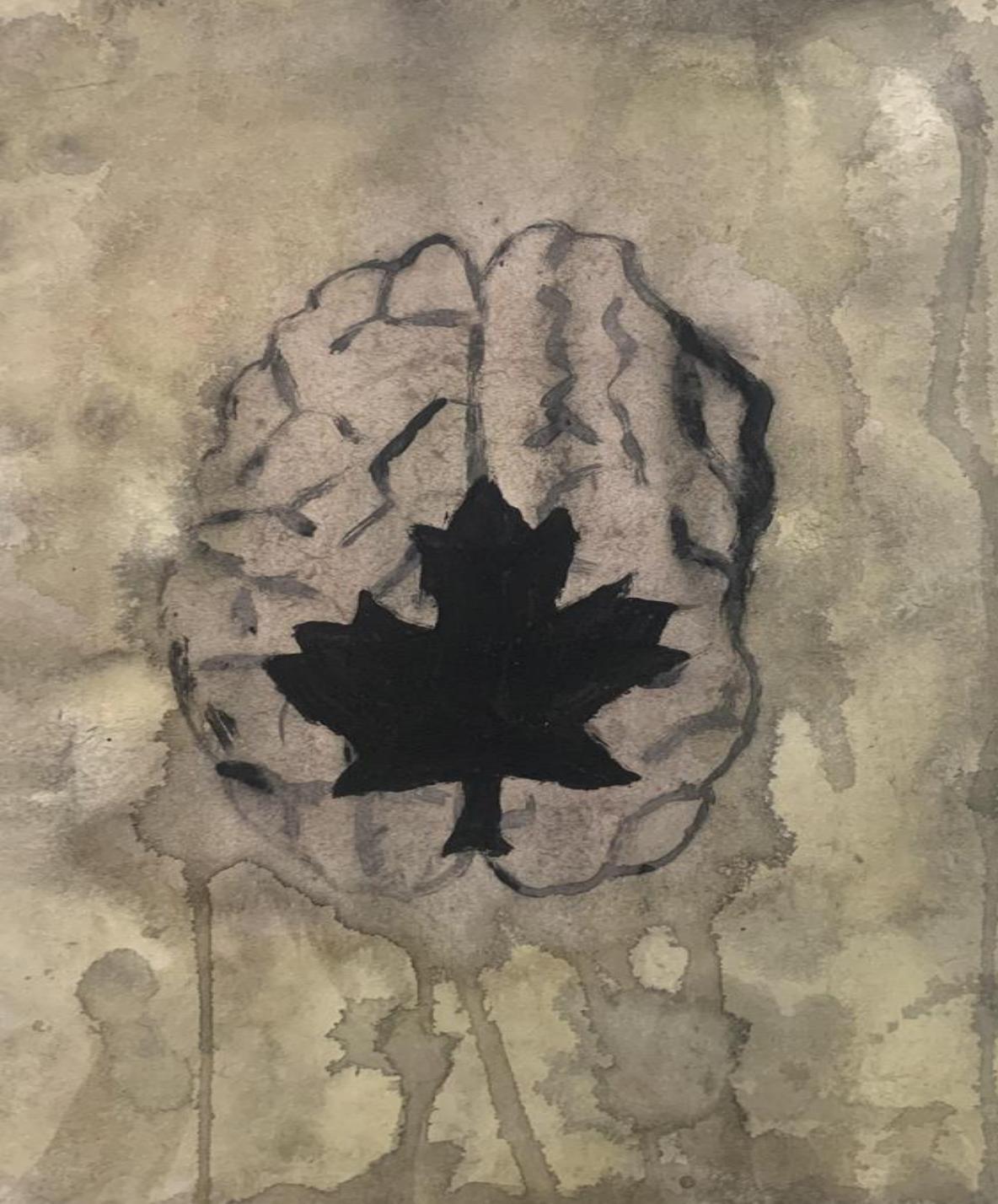
The drawing itself represents the feeling of having to accept the new changes in the immigration policy and not being able to do anything to stop it or change it. That's why the hands of the people in the drawing are tied. I chose orange and red for the colours because, to me, they represent suffering and silence, respectively. That's why the clothes' colour is orange (representing the body) and the place where it should be the eyes and the mouth are red (representing the mind). Suffering body and silenced mind.

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The drawing also explains that the whole pandemic changed the structure of the country. The immigration laws changed and it affected all the students and people who dream of obtaining a residence. It almost feels like an invisible wall for all of those who want to obtain the residence. At times it felt hopeless but also with so many changes it gave me hope. So, it was a rollercoaster of emotions this past year, getting new information, news and PEQ laws.

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I feel so sad that it came to this, my dreams, my life project was settling in Montreal to get permanent residency after my studies and work as a mental health and social services profesional, even though now my dream is still alive but projected outside of Quebec thanks to the federal governments support by creating fast track Canadian permanent residency stream for international studnets and my Canadian new project is in fact much better it still hurts a lot that we international students had to face this injustice, this definetly left a scar in my heart. But my mind is set on my PR goal in Canada now that i have much more oportunities to achive my dream to get PR, become a Canadian citizen and work in the mental helath field providing counselling to people in this great country, as Sky woman, i come as an immigrant to settle here giving my gifts in counselling as a thank you for the gift of residency and shelter in this wonderful land.

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