Brief of Work

This poem explores the love of the speaker's grandfather towards his deceased mother and his longing for a warm and complete family through the depiction of his protection towards the robins.

Zinnia flowers symbolise remembrance whereas carnation flowers represent the mother's love. Cool colour tone (blue and purple) creates a gloomy but peaceful atmosphere in my artwork, which reflects the grandfather's grief towards the loss of his mother. His hands, which act like the nest, hug and protect the robins in the heart-shaped nest, revealing his wish for an unbroken family and the reminiscence of the moments with his mother. We should be grateful for what we have in the present and live in the moment. Just like those delicate flowers, their beauty does not last long and that is why we should treasure the time they bloom.