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When I was studying oil spills in the Gulf of Mexico, I came across a picture of a seagull with plastic wrapped around its neck. I'd seen this picture before, but after many Google searches I discovered the widespread effect of marine pollution. The plastic that we carelessly throw away ends up in our oceans, killing marine animals and creating an unbalanced ecosystem. The picture of the gull stayed in my mind as I created this art piece. I tried to recreate the emotional and visual effect that I had when I saw the gull.