## Artist Raises Awareness Of Domestic Abuse With Bruised And Battered Barbies

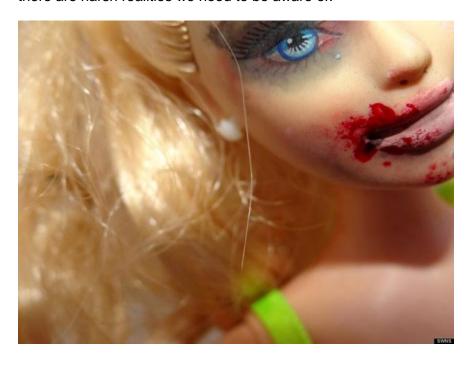
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**Student-artist** Samantha Humphreys' latest project entitled 'It's A Matter Of Trust' aims to raise awareness of violence against women with battered Barbie dolls.

**Each doll** has been painted to look like she has been the victim of abuse, with bruises, bloodied lips and black eyes—a far cry from the golden-girl image and picture-perfect life we have come to associate with Barbie.

**The message** she wants to convey is, "We shouldn't be taught that life is perfect", and that there are harsh realities we need to be aware of.





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