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As a queer resident alien in New York City, Hala Hassan uses her one-line drawings as a visual tool to uncover the reality of immigration and create a dialog surrounding gender-identity. As someone who lives in a state of uncertainty and is always striving to maintain stability—whether it be with her immigration status or sexual identity—Hala believes it is vital to give a voice to those who are going through similar experiences. She feels that her drawings are the most authentic form of expression she can offer to herself and to those who engage with her work. She considers them a commitment to storytelling; once she places her pen to paper, she allows her intuition to take the lead. For these pieces, Hala used the same approach while channeling the injustices happening every day around the United States, especially police brutality against Black and brown people.