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*Arm Yourself Against Complacency*

This painting was inspired by an article on gun violence in the newspaper with the caption "Complacency Kills At Home". I had to ask myself ‘How do you fight complacency?’ I must resist being complacent. I must address it by taking a direct look at it. I had to say it in a secret message, that you can read if you know sign language, because people are sensitive about the subject and resist any changes to the laws or the status quo. So much resistance everywhere! The idea of resisting mindlessness is inspired by an artist friend of mine who passed away recently, who was very passionate about his art. This one is for you, Don!