An “Alternative Self Portrait” is not just a “traditional” self portrait. It’s unique, interesting, different & creative to you! Express yourself!
1. Portrait = a picture of a person's face
2. Self Portraits -

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Self portraits can be different styles:

- Realistic Drawings
- Photographs
- Stylized or Abstract
We will create 2 self portraits!

We will use the grid method with the photos we already took!

- This “Alternative” self portrait is what we did in Art 1
- It’s a stylized, high contrast painting using black acrylic paint.

TRADITIONAL Self Portrait. Realistic value drawing using ebony pencil.
3. Grid enlarging:
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Old School Style!

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Gridding to the same size

Grid Enlarging:
4. Proportion

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5. Facial proportions: Guidelines that help you get the general size, shape and position of features placed correctly on the face.
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6. Human Body Proportions

- Body proportions are the study of relation of human body parts to each other and to the whole.
- Used to relate two or more measurements based on the body.
Proportions based on Age

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The average human is about 8 head heights tall. Most people are between 6 and 10.

One Head Height

The shoulders are about 2 head heights wide.

The waist is about 1 head height wide.

The legs are half of the body (in this case 4 head heights.)
VERY GENERAL AVERAGE PROPORTIONS

USE AS A ROUGH GUIDE ONLY.

INFANT
4 HEADS HIGH

6 YEARS
6 HEADS HIGH

12 YEARS
6 1/2 HEADS HIGH

ADULT FEMALE
7 1/2 HEADS HIGH

ADULT MALE
7 1/2 HEADS HIGH
GUYER STUDENT EXAMPLES:
Traditional Self Portraits
Painting Project Choices:
High Contrast (Just black & White)
More black
More white
OR, Monochromatic Value Scale:

3 values

5 values
7. Alternative Self-Portraits

A self portrait that is not just “traditional”. Make it unique & interesting, different & creative to you! Express yourself!
Objectives for Alternative Self Portraits:

1. Creative Interpretation of assignment – 20 pts
2. Creative Use of Materials (you can collage, draw, etc.) – 20 pts
3. Effort & Technical accomplishment – 20 pts
4. Dynamic Composition (not boring) – 20 pts
5. Craftsmanship (neatness) – 20 pts
Why do Artists create Self-Portraits?

What does the self-portrait tell you about the artist?

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Self-portraits can help an artist understand or express him/herself.
Self-portraits allow an artist to practice rendering different expressions and moods.

Léopold Boilly

*Grimacing Man (Self-Portrait)*
Self-portraits can advertise the artist’s skill to potential customers.

Jean-Auguste-Dominique Ingres

*Ingres as a Young Man*
Self-portraits can preserve a memory or be made as a gift for someone else.

Everett Shinn

*Self-Portrait*
Self-portraiture requires self-exploration in order for the artist to make decisions about how to best represent him/herself.

Ralph Barton

Self-Portrait
9. Andy Warhol – Pop art style about popular culture

Self-Portrait

What qualities of a self-portrait can change the way the artist expresses or represents him/herself?
In Art 1 We looked at 7 artists who made different self portraits. Who was Your favorite & WHY???
Expression, posture, clothing, background, colors, texture, media, and style can all change the way you represent yourself.

What do you want your self-portrait to say about you?
10. A mind map is a diagram used to represent words, ideas, pictures, tasks or other items linked to and arranged radially around a central key word or idea.

It is used to generate, visualize, structure, and classify ideas.
• Create a preliminary mind map of your goals, interests, personality etc... in your sketchbook to plan your ideas for the final project.
• Use a minimum of 5 large branches with 3 small branches each.
• Draw a picture and write a word for each branch.
Distortions - Very Alternative self portraits!!!
• Create a 1 inch by 1 inch grid on your photograph.
• Create a distorted grid on your drawing paper.
• Using your pencil, draw the contours in each square of your photograph to the corresponding distorted square on your drawing paper.
• Last, erase your grid lines.
Mrs. Meisner’s Alternative Self Portrait
HEREDITARY
DESTINY
ROBUST
She began to protest.

'Oh come now, it's quite overblown!'
Mrs. Meisner – Abstract Self Portrait