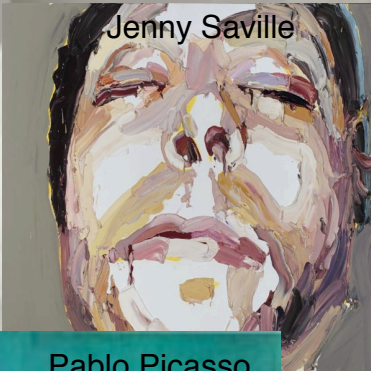


Self Image - Portraits

Clothes, make-ups and hairstyles are important aspects of a person's self image. Artists such as Durer, Rembrandt and Warhol have used these to change the image of themselves. Other examples can be found in a wide variety of contexts, such as magazines, fashion and performance. Look at appropriate sources and explore ways you can emphasise or change your self-image.



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Portraiture has a long and regal tradition within the arts. In fact self-portraits have been used for years to develop and refine the artistic skills needed to enter the profession. Self-portraits allow artists a chance to perfect the basics in structural drawing: proportion, alignment, and composition leading to further experimentation with a variety of media while endeavouring to give life and personality to a subject.

Pablo Picasso



Francis Bacon



Things to do

Take a series of photographs each one conveying a different aspect of your personality. Consider props, make-up, fashion, the pose or photographing yourself in an activity.

Research all the artists above and record how they capture their personality or change the perception their personality in the work. record means copy.

Make a series of small self-portraits or portraits of people in your life. Use several different media; try to make links with the artists above.

Make a list of characteristics that define you.

Consider how you can apply these characteristics into a work of art based on you. Think about colour, symbolism, media (i.e.: photos, paints pencils) the mark and



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