



You will be creating a monochromatic self portrait, much like Pablo Picasso's The Old Guitarist (1903), using a photo of your face and colour theory studied in class. After studying facial proportions, shading and contour drawing, you will transfer your image to a canvas and use paint to apply colour. Your final work will also include a portrait symbol painted in your chosen colour's complement.



TASKS:	DUE:
1. Colour Wheel , including primary, secondary, tertiary colours; tints and shades; intensity	
2. Proportion study of the human face: "Average Joe "	
3. Magazine Photo : transfer of image using "Average Joe" strategies Use acetate to isolate the divisions.	
4. High detail self portrait pencil drawing using a full range of value (shading). Select a "portrait symbol" and draw and shade in full detail as well.	
5. Using tracing paper over drawing, create a detailed contour pencil drawing of your face and portrait symbol. Make sure to not only include the "lines" of details details (nose, hair, etc.), but also the lines isolating the darker and lighter areas. No shading, only lines!	
6. ARTTALK (text) Read pp. 144-157, answer "Check your understanding" questions on pp. 149, 157	
7. Transfer contour drawings onto canvas with a light pencil. Your portrait and portrait symbol should interact.	
8. Select one colour from the colour wheel (can be primary, secondary or tertiary) to paint your portrait. This colour will reflect who you are (see back of this handout for colour psychology information). You will paint your portrait using monochromatic colours (tints and shades of that one colour.	
9. Select that colour's complement to depict your portrait symbol.	
10. Write a short artist statement explaining your choice of image (both photo and symbol) and colour.	

Color Symbolism in Western Society:

RED - Excitement, energy, passion, love, desire, speed, strength, power, heat, aggression, danger, fire, blood, war, violence, all things intense and passionate.

PINK - Pink symbolizes love and romance, caring, tenderness, acceptance and calm.

BEIGE & IVORY symbolize unification. Ivory symbolizes quiet and pleasantness. Beige symbolizes calm and simplicity.

YELLOW - Joy, happiness, betrayal, optimism, idealism, imagination, hope, sunshine, summer, gold, philosophy, dishonesty, cowardice, jealousy, covetousness, deceit, illness, hazard and friendship.

BLUE - Peace, tranquility, cold, calm, stability, harmony, unity, trust, truth, confidence, conservatism, security, cleanliness, order, loyalty, sky, water, technology, depression, appetite suppressant.

BLUE-GREEN - Turquoise symbolizes calm. Teal symbolizes sophistication. Aquamarine symbolizes water. Lighter turquoise has a feminine appeal.

VIOLET/PURPLE - Royalty, nobility, spirituality, ceremony, mysterious, transformation, wisdom, enlightenment, cruelty, arrogance, mourning.

LAVENDER symbolizes femininity, grace and elegance.

GOLD - Energy, balance, enthusiasm, warmth, vibrant, expansive, flamboyant, demanding of attention.

GREEN - Nature, environment, healthy, good luck, renewal, youth, spring, generosity, fertility, jealousy, inexperience, envy, misfortune, vigor.

BROWN - Earth, stability, hearth, home, outdoors, reliability, comfort, endurance, simplicity, and comfort.

GREY - Security, reliability, intelligence, staid, modesty, dignity, maturity, solid, conservative, practical, old age, sadness, boring. Silver symbolizes calm.

WHITE - Reverence, purity, birth, simplicity, cleanliness, peace, humility, precision, innocence, youth, winter, snow, good, sterility, marriage (Western cultures), death (Eastern cultures), cold, clinical.

BLACK - Power, sexuality, sophistication, formality, elegance, wealth, mystery, fear, evil, unhappiness, depth, style, evil, sadness, remorse, anger, anonymity, underground, good technical color, mourning, death (Western cultures).

Eastern World:

GREEN: eternity, family, harmony, health, peace, posterity

RED: happiness

GRAY: helpful

BLUE, Gold, Purple: wealth

WHITE: children, helpful people, marriage, mourning, peace, purity, travel

GOLD: strength, wealth

BLACK: evil or sadness