

PORTRAIT PLAY

ACTIVITY

Follow the prompts to create a series of portrait or self-portrait drawings.

Use a mirror as reference or ask a family member or friend to sit on the stool as you draw!

portrait

a representation of a particular person

self - portrait

a portrait of the artist, by the artist

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Retford Park
Southern Highlands
Regional Gallery

1

Continuous Line Self-Portrait

Draw yourself without taking your pencil off the page. Use a continuous line to capture the features of your face.



2

Blind Self-Portrait

Draw yourself without looking at your page. Resist the urge to look at your drawing until you are complete!



3

Draw with your non-dominant hand

Attempt a self-portrait using the hand that you don't usually write with. Observe the differences to using your dominant hand.



EXTENSION ACTIVITIES

• Faceless Portrait

Draw all the items in your pocket or bag. How do these items build a picture of you?

• Superhero Portrait

Draw a portrait of yourself or a loved one as a superhero. What are their special powers?

• Experiment with Angles

Capture a portrait using an interesting point of view. Do a google search of portraits using the following key terms to collect inspiration:

- worms eye point of view
- birds eye point of view
- foreshortening