## **SELF PORTRAIT**

## **INSTRUCTIONS**

Create a self portrait (a portrait of yourself) that makes a statement about who you are. It is a great way to express and explore your identity. What will your self-portrait say about you? It's about who you think you are and not what others may think you should be. In your self-portrait; try to express the real you. You will create your portrait in adobe illustrator, adobe photoshop or a combination of the two. There are many different approaches, styles and techniques in which you can create a portrait. You may select a style of choice. Examples are: realism, representational, illustrative, cubist, pop art, abstract, fantasy, surreal, impressionistic, collage, montage or other. Review the examples provided and look online for inspiration in creating your self portrait. Though you will be choosing your medium and style to work in, the facial features should show a resemblance and take on characteristics of yourself. Have fun, be creative; try something new and challenge yourself.

## **CRITERIA**

**Size:** 9 x 12 format (horizontal or vertical)

**Subject:** Portrait (yourself)

**Colors:** Depends on style selected.

Medium: Adobe Photoshop, Illustrator or both

**Style:** Your choice

## **GRADING CRITERIA: 100pts total**

Criteria - Creativity - Composition - Craftsmanship

Ideas to get you started. Think of the things that make you what/who you are:

- the clothes you wear and the way you look
- the music you listen to and the music you make
- the words you write and the images you create
- what you've been through and how you feel now
- where you live and where you belong
- the things you love and the things you hate
- your passions, politics and beliefs
- the things that make you laugh and the things that make you cry

You might think that your bedroom, your clothes, your diary or even some of your favorite objects, photographs or documents say more about you than any mirror image could describe, so you may include them in a your self-portrait if you would like. But keep in mind that it is a self portrait so that should consume the page.