

CONTOUR LINE DRAWING

1. Arrange 3 to 5 still-life objects in the center of the table. Be sure that they overlap to help show depth or distance.
2. On 9x12 manila paper, draw out the shapes. Use strong solid lines not sketchy lines. (Remember: a contour line is a line that represents an outline of the subject/object).
3. Think about the proportions: the comparison of elements one to another in terms of size.
4. Accurately draw the shapes, the placement, and the size of the objects.
5. Balance the positive and negative space.

Example:

