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Photorealism is a genre of art that encompasses painting, drawing and other graphic media, in which an artist studies a photograph and then attempts to reproduce the image as realistically as possible in another medium.



Photorealism

The movement came about the same time period as Pop Art.

Photorealism expressed a strong interest in realism in art by moving away from styles of art like idealism and abstraction. The name Photorealism was coined in reference to those artists whose work from photographs.

They often projected onto canvas allowing images to be replicated with precision and accuracy.

The exactness was often aided further by the use of an airbrush, which was originally designed to retouch photographs. Photorealism is an American art movement.

Artists attempt to recreate an image using a photograph.

They would use different artistic medium such as pencil, color pencils, pastels, painting, charcoal, etc.

The primary goal of a photorealist was to capture the essence of the photograph on canvas.









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PORTRAIT PROPORTIONS



Proportions of the Face Information Sheet



Year Group 9 **Topic Portraits**

Assignment: Photorealism Self-Portrait- Chuck Close

1. You will be creating a self-portrait based on the work of Chuck Close using number 2 pencil; Drawing should show influences from Photorealism.

2. Find a black and white photograph of yourself, or you may use a mirror. The picture should be a front or ³/₄ view of your head and shoulders

3. You will lightly draw a contour line photorealism self-portrait drawing using a number two pencil; Head to shoulders required.

4. Study the proportions of the face; you may use a grid or freehand system for drawing proportions)

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5. Practice sketching out the correct proportions on scratch paper before starting your portrait.

6. Practice using pencil to show depth and value on the practice portrait. Be sure to blend values showing the highlights and shadow areas.

7. Use white paper to sketch out your final portrait. Be accurate with proportions and details.

8. Begin using the pencil to show the wide range of values in the face. Accurately use pencil to show the highlights, shadows, and depth in the face.

9. Be sure to clean up all extraneous marks.