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**Art Projects for the entire family,  
presented by Anne's Treasures**

# ANNE'S TREASURES

## ABSTRACT SELF-PORTRAITS

Have fun sharing yourself in a whole new light. Make a set with your loved ones for a family portrait unlike any other!

### MATERIALS:

Drawing paper

Pencil

Markers/crayons

\*Sequin, buttons, lace

Eraser

\*optional

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### CONTEXT:

Many famous artists started off their figurative paintings with self-portraits. Without funds to pay models, a self-portrait was not only a cost-effective subject, but also allowed them to convey meaningful emotions to the viewer.

Abstract art is art that does not attempt to represent an accurate depiction of what is obvious, but instead uses different forms, colors, and shapes to achieve its effect. Well-known self-portraits in a variety of forms were created by Picasso, Dali and Van Gogh, among others.

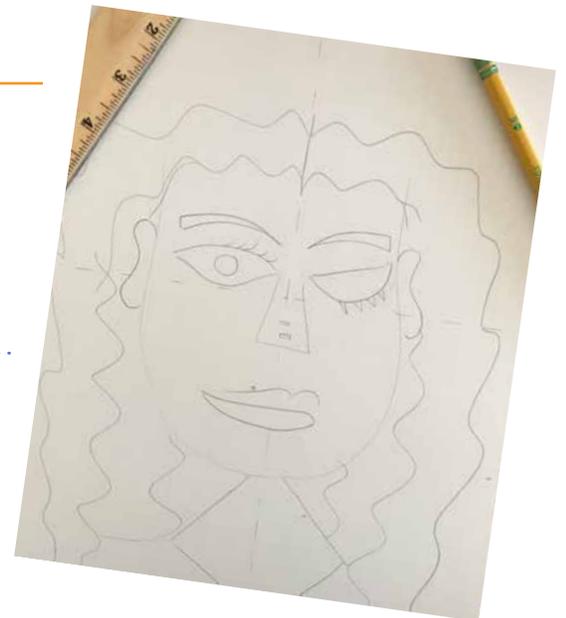
### PROCEDURE:

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Sketch a large oval on the paper. Always press lightly so you can erase easily.

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Add two vertical lines down to form your neck.





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Add a curved line to make a shirt and two vertical lines to create shoulders.

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Draw your face from memory. Modify the shape of the oval to match your face shape.

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Remember that this is an abstract portrait so feel free to play with placement and proportion. For example, try emphasizing something important to you by making it bigger or a bright color.

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Fill in with color and patterns. Try dividing your portrait into sections (half page, quadrants over your face, circles, etc.) and color each section in different colors.

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Add a background and border.

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Optional: Glue additional objects that represent you to make it a collage.

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