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Expressive Self Portrait

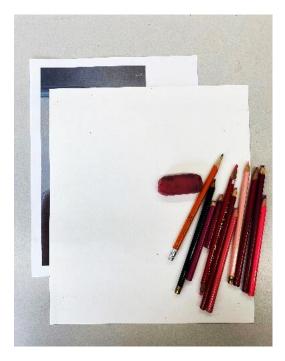
Create your own expressive self portrait inspired by Peruvian-American artist Kukuli Velarde, whose work is currently on display in *Playful/Pensive: Contemporary Artists and Contemporary Issues* at RAM. In her ceramic work, Velarde addresses the complexities of colonization and identity while focusing on Latin American history as a point of reference. She describes her work as "the reality with which I am familiar." Take inspiration from Velarde's expressive and meaningful work by choosing a facial expression or color scheme that evokes a specific feeling or emotion within yourself.



Kukuli Velarde Najallota Insolente Playfully disobedient. Does not believe in hierarchies, Ia hija de la gran...Maya. Mexico, 750 BC from the Plunder Me, Baby Series, 2006 Terracotta and paint Racine Art Museum, Gift of Karen Johnson Boyd Photography: Jon Bolton

Kukuli Velarde India Pacharaca (Cupinisque, Peru, 1000 B.C.) Taciturn, Abruptly Violent, Enjoys Rough Handling from the Plunder Me, Baby Series, 2007 Painted black earthenware Racine Art Museum, Gift of Devra Breslow Photography: Jon Bolton





Instructions

- 1. Take an expressive photo of yourself.
- 2. Print it out for reference.
- 3. Sketch your self portrait onto your paper using a pencil.
- 4. Color in your expressive portrait using bold, meaningful colors.

Example of finished project



Supplies

- Pencil
- Paper
- Colored pencils, markers, crayons etc.
- Photograph



