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It's Just an Expression! Expressive selfies in Charcoal

Course Objectives:

Observe and draw human features

Gain awareness of how light affects each feature

Study proportions of the human face

Explore the ancient medium of charcoal as a drawing medium

Understand how tonal values can create depth and form

Develop skill in using charcoal to create the forms needed to render human faces

Gain insight into human expressions and how to draw them expressively

Examine individual mark making and how it relates to expression.

Create an expressive but accurate self portrait

Materials student will need to provide

Vine and stick charcoal

charcoal pencils

erasers

tortillons (paper blending sticks)

large mixed media paper or other heavy weight paper pad about 18 x 24,

phone

magnifying mirror, pedestal makeup mirror or small mirror