**PANDEMIC PORTRAITS**

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During the pandemic, we haven’t seen much of the bottoms of people’s faces. So, let’s imagine what’s underneath our masks by drawing pandemic portraits! Draw yourself or a friend.

**time:** 40 min. draw, 20 min. share & discuss

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**STEPS**

1. Use cardboard to draw on. With a pencil, draw a dashed line down the middle to help with symmetry. Lightly sketch the shape of the face.

2. Add details: hair, eyebrows, eyes, ears.

3. Sketch what you want underneath your mask! Rule: no nose or mouth. Be creative!

4. Outline your sketch with a black marker.

5. Lightly erase pencil marks. Add color with markers. Take a step back, then add any final touches and you’re done!

6. Optional: Carefully use x-acto knife to cut slits into the cardboard. Take a mask and insert the straps into the slits.

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**SUPPLIES**

- pencil
- cardboard 8x10 inches
- eraser
- markers
- x-acto (optional)

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**SHARE & DISCUSS**

Each student shares their portrait and describes how they came up with what’s underneath their mask.

Discussion question ideas: What did your classmates’ portraits make you think of? Besides how we see our faces, how else has the pandemic changed how we see ourselves and each other?

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