Surreal Portrait (Self)
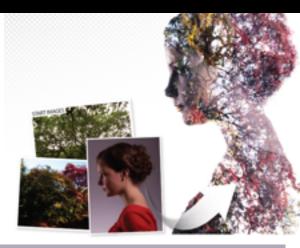
> **Surreal: dreamlike quality, unreal**
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> **Photocollage: Combining multiple images into a single image, digitally.**
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> **Double/Multiple : a photographic technique that combines 2 different images into a single image.**

TASK: Create a SURREAL portraits (or self-portrait) and combine *multiple* images about the person or you into an interesting composition.

Preliminary Work: Media Arts Journal (SKETCHBOOK)   Timeline: 2 Days

Step 1: BRAINSTORM ideas (sketchbook)
- Think about who or what is important to you?
- What fills your dreams at night, or the daydreams of your waking life?
- What can you use to symbolize you?

Step 2: RESEARCH and COLLECT images (research folder)
- Create a new folder onto your desktop – name it: **Research**
- Begin your **research** and **collect** images - photographs/drawings from home and the WEB that you can manipulate (scanned/downloaded/photographed)

   Requirements for images used:
   - All Images must be high quality with no watermarks.
   - You will want to choose images that have a high contrast between light and dark.
   - Images to consider:
      - inspirational person or you!
      - place
      - symbolic object, image or logo
      - texture
   - include min. 2 images relating to you.

Step 3: SKETCH 2 drawings (sketchbook)
- Think about different ways you can make your composition more "Dreamlike" or unreal. Also, think about the elements and principles of art (emphasis, contrast….) to help guide your design.

Once approved: Begin creative process in Photoshop!

4: Open PHOTOSHOP - Create a New file – FILE >NEW

Title: Surreal Portrait
   Image size:
   Option 1:   **Width -8"**   *Option 2:*   **Width -10.5"**
                  Height – 10"   **Length –8"**

                  Resolution: 300

Use *photoshop techniques* (i.e. **Multiple exposure**, layer masks, blend modes) and *tools* to create a unique and interesting composition. Think about the elements and principles of art (emphasis, contrast….) to help guide your design.

Step 5: TYPE STATEMENT ABOUT YOUR PROJECT - paragraph.
         - explain or describe the artwork
         - what is the topic or theme of the artwork(s)?
         - what is the artwork supposed to say or communicate?
         - how did the artist create the artwork (i.e. steps)?
         - how does the artwork connect to the artist's life or own experiences?

SUBMISSIONS:

  SAVE FINISHED WORK - **Last Name - SURREAL Portrait** Desktop Folder - which includes your **Surreal portrait (psd. & jpg. file), research folder & artist statement about project**.