

Name _____
Period _____

Assignment: Abstract Name Drawing

Eighth Grade

General Information:

When letterforms overlap, they interact with one another to create new shapes and images. You will create a drawing of your first name using ideas of various type styles provided on the included handout. You will have a choice of how you create the lettering and will include multiple images that are personal to you to create an **abstract** image. The areas of the images that overlap will then be colored with markers that fall within a chosen color scheme. You will need to include at least five images or things that you like or that have a personal meaning to you.

Project criteria:

1. Create two thumbnail [small] sketches that display an image of your name using block or bubble letters (you may use the examples of letterforms provided on the handout). Notice that when you draw one shape overlapping another shape, a new smaller shape is formed. Try to experiment drawing your name in different ways so that the letters have a thickness and become a shape. Include a variety of simplified images of other objects to which you may have a connection. Remember, this is a personalized drawing.
2. After deciding on a completed sketch, carefully and LIGHTLY draw your name on the larger paper using the same technique. Make a good decision concerning the placement of your name on the paper (Where is the focal point? Is the name curved? How large are the letters?).
3. On top of your letters, draw the shapes of other things that relate to a common theme or directly to you. For example, you may draw sports equipment, music notes, etc. Each shape should overlap another shape and should vary in size.
4. Choose a **color scheme** for your drawing and make the decision to ONLY use those colors for your work. You will use colored markers to carefully color each shape that you have created in the artwork. Some shapes may be left as white areas, but no two touching shapes can be the same color.
5. Write your full name and period on the back of the assignment.
6. Fill-out a self evaluation form and staple it to the artwork. Return it to the correct "To Be Graded" location.

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Thumbnail Sketches:

