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## O-riginal Art Activities: Abstract Portrait Inspired by Horton Humble



Horton Humble, *Scattered Sight*, 2017, Oil, acrylic and pencil on board, Promised Gift of the Roger H. Ogden Collection

**Horton Humble** is a member of Level Artist Collective, and a native son of New Orleans. Humble grew up primarily in the Sixth Ward – popularly known today as the Faubourg Tremé. Horton's work is greatly influenced by his travels, ranging from Portugal to the African continent. Recently, his work has moved more toward figuration and his narrative has become more informed by the social issues facing New Orleans and the USA.

**Illustrate your inner thoughts as an abstract self-portrait.**

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### Supplies

Pencil, Crayons, Paper

### Instructions

**Step 1:** Use a pencil to sketch a face, neck and shoulders.

**Step 2:** What images come to mind when you think about your identity and personality? Sketch these images inside of the **portrait**. **Abstract** these images by simplifying and exaggerating their features.

**Step 3:** What colors fit your personality? Use crayons to color your self-portrait.

**Step 4:** What is your favorite color? Color the background this color.

### Vocabulary

**Portrait** - an image of a person; genre of art

**Abstract** - an artwork that is comprised of shapes and colors

**Identity** - a person's idea of self



