

Art Challenge Number 4:  
Self Portrait

Hi everyone,

I hope you are all doing ok. I have a new activity for you this week which will develop your observational 'looking' skills and should be lots of fun too. You will create a self-portrait using just one line. Please don't cheat! It will make your drawing much more interesting and expressive to use just one line and it will force you to look very, very carefully!



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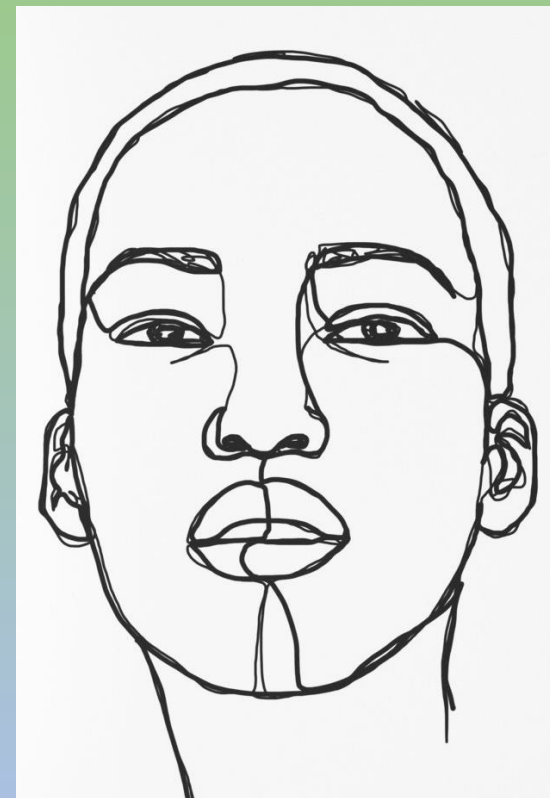
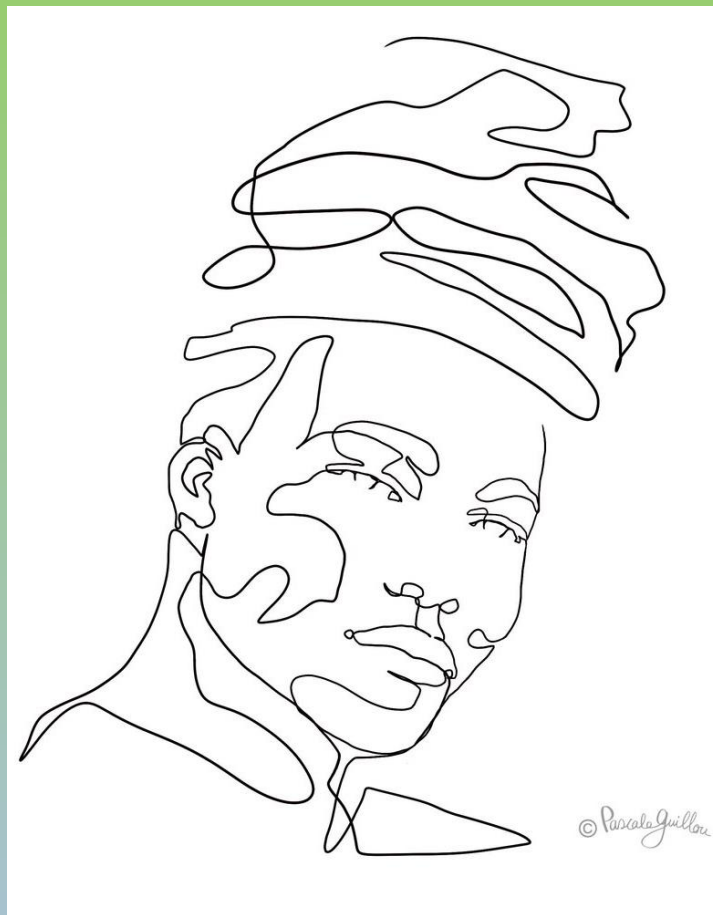
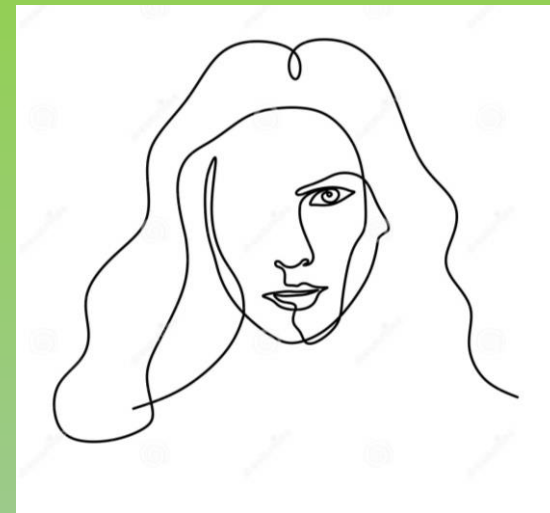
### **You will need:**

- **Felt tip pen/pencil/biro**
- **Paper**
- **String/wool/laces**
- **A different colour surface to lean your string drawing on**

### **Instructions:**

1. Take a self portrait of yourself on a phone or tablet. Try to pull an expression so that your face shows lots of 'character'. Also, make sure there is enough light on your face so you can see the lines and shadows.
2. Look on the internet for 'one-line portraits' to give you some ideas of what you will be doing.
3. Draw your self-portrait using any type of pen or pencil. Only use one line and don't lift your pen off the page at any time. **KEEP LOOKING AT YOUR PHOTO!** It will make you 'really' look at the shapes and features on your face. Think about where each feature is in comparison to another e.g. where is the eye compared to the nose?
4. For an extension, you could have a go at doing the portrait in string or repeat the drawing with different expressions e.g. scared, tired, happy etc.

## EXAMPLES OF ONE-LINE PORTRAITS



Pull different expressions to make  
your portrait more interesting

