The Big Idea

Learn about the basics of creating a character. Turn your thoughts or feelings into a character and create a story with it.

The Plan

**Step 1** - Sketch out the basic shapes of your character.

**Step 2** - Start to fill in the details by drawing on the outside of those shapes.

**Step 3** - While you are adding details on your characters, think about what their name might be, what their story is. Try to tell yourself a story about a day in the life of this character while you create them.

**Step 4** - Once you have a finished character, try sketching out what they would look like when experiencing different emotions.

**Step 5** - Now you can take it a step further and add color, accessories, or draw out a full rotation of what they look like.

You’ll Need

- Paper (Paper can be lined, patterned, newspaper anything works so long as the drawing materials are strong enough to be seen.)
- Pen or Pencil
- Coloring supplies (if you would like to color it.)
- Step-By-Step video tutorial: www.think360arts.org

Teaching Artist Tip

- Check out Kristina’s other workshop “Colorful Emotion Wheel” and learn how to select the perfect colors to reflect your characters emotions!

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Character Creation "Cheat Sheet"

Eyes

Lips

Noses

Ears

Horns

Wings

Textures

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