SUPPLY LIST:

Portraiture

Please read all in entirety, thank you

 Photo Composition: please print an 11 x 17" color print on glossy photo paper

Example of photo below.

Use the frame of your camera's viewfinder as your compositional space making sure the photographer is very close to the subject being photographed. Just the face of the subject being photographed should fill the entire frame of the viewfinder. The size of the photo image should be from the top of the head to the bottom of the neck and from ear to ear for the width. Please do not take a photo from a distance and enlarge to fit, detail will be sacrificed. Very little extra space should be visible in the photo around the face. When the photo is printed to an 11" x 17" (or 14x18" at Costco, excellent quality,) there should be less than an inch from the face on the sides and top of the head to the boarders of the print. Take a second photo from more of a distance including more of the body and background for reference.

PLEASE SEND YOUR DIGITAL IMAGE(s) to check on lighting and size, TO ESTERITA AHEAD OF CLASS TO ENSURE SUCCESS. Esterita2@aol.com

Lighting your Subject:

Have the subject sit or stand next to a window in a room with no artificial lights on. With the natural light coming from the window take your photo with no flash. Have one side of the face in the light as the other side falls into shadow. There should be a full compliment of values from strong highlights on one side of the face through mediums to dark shadows on the other side. If you are photographing outside it's suggested to do so at the end of the day when the suns rays create warm highlights and long deep shadows. It is suggested to avoid overhead, or mid day light.

Studio photos, such as old portraits with full face lighting are not good for this project

Angle of Shot:

You may want to experiment with taking the photo from various angles; from above, below or side. Vary the angles but always keep the lighting in mind; light on one side, darker on the other.

Please do not bringing photos of babies, and children

Self portraits are strongly suggested for successful studies.

Once your photograph is chosen and you have printed it— it will be will simplified into a pattern on vinyl in class.

BRING:

Supplies: 18 mm Rotary cutter very important that it is small, xacto knife*, cutting mat, flower head pins, iron and board, ballpoint pen, fine and extra fine point black sharpie markers, freezer paper 18" x 22" and 8 x 10", 1 roll of Reynolds parchment paper, scotch magic(removable) tape, and scotch double sided removable tape, small garbage bag, straight pins, apron

and

FABRICS:

Background: 3/4 yd black cotton fabric,

OPTIONAL: (we may not get to this stage). For the hair: Assortment of dark multicolor/value jewel tone fabrics, depending on hair color for hair, hand dyes work well. Take a look at the images on my website for fabric suggestions.

KIT FEE \$45 USD (for classes in US)This includes hand dyed fabric made for this class (for the face), vinyl sheet, textile paints, brushes, alcohol wipes, palette, Mistyfuse, scrubbie, "Transdoodle transfer paper, plates, use of brushes