

# Getting Started- A-Level Art and Design

Your first project within A-Level Art and Design is all based around the theme of 'Identity'- this often takes the form of portraiture.

Within the project you will be required to study numerous artists that relate to your chosen muse, develop knowledge and handling of multiple medias, explore and experiment with concept to outcome.

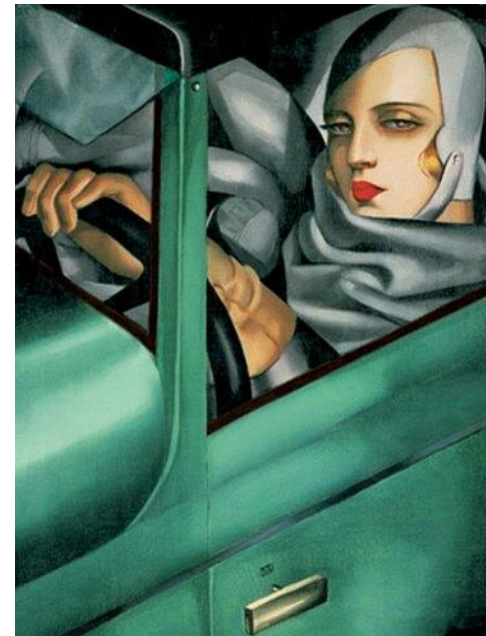
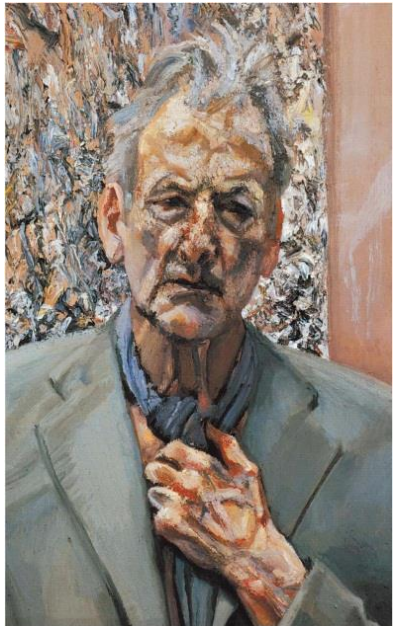
In order to supplement your first project you might find the next few slides helpful...

# Identity

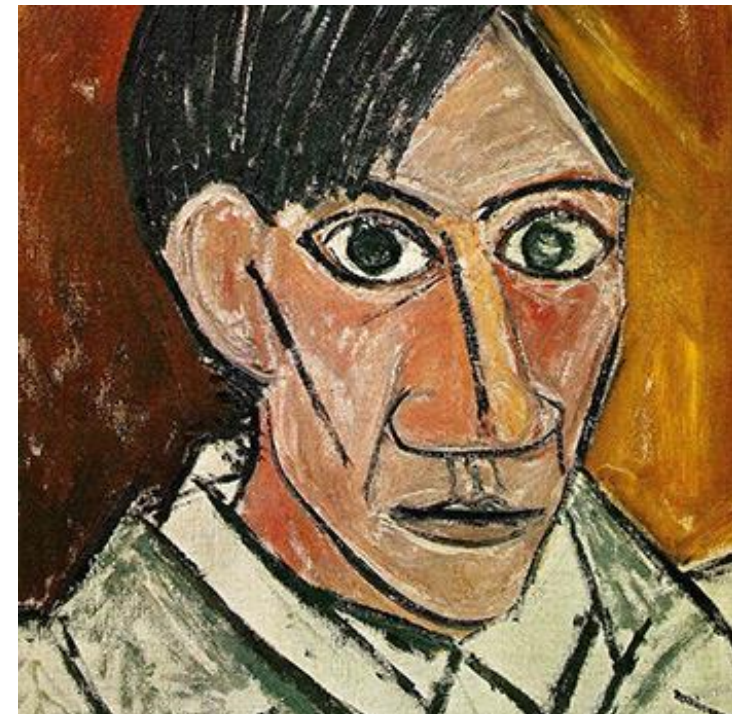
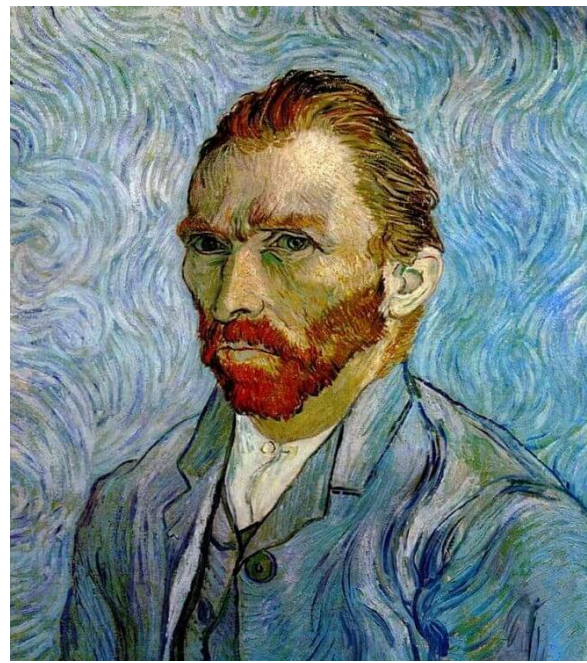
Exploring identity in Art.

# Exploring Identity through Art

Artists often explore the characteristics that determine our personal and social identity. They construct a sense of who we are as individuals, as a society, or as a nation. They question stereotypes and conventions while exploring attributes such as gender, sexuality, race, nationality and heritage.









# Useful Links

Here are some useful sources that discuss and explore the theme of 'Identity':

- [https://www.moma.org/learn/moma\\_learning/themes/investigating-identity/](https://www.moma.org/learn/moma_learning/themes/investigating-identity/) MoMA- Investigating Identity
- <https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episode/p02t7ck5/francis-bacon-fragments-of-a-portrait> BBC iPlayer- Francis Bacon: Fragments of a Portrait
- <https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episode/m000rsjt/rita-duffy-portrait-of-an-artist> BBC iPlayer- Rita Duffy: Portrait of An Artist
- <https://alg.manifoldapp.org/read/introduction-to-art-design-context-and-meaning/section/546808d3-2803-4313-9fd4-c7c1b77e3bcf> Chapter 8: Art and Identity  
Peggy Blood and Pamela J. Sachant
- <https://www.tate.org.uk/artist-rooms/collection/themes/cultural-identity> Tate- Cultural Identity

# Task

What does identity mean to you?

How could you capture identity (your own or someone else's)?

*THINK: Use of media, composition, sources and mark making.*

Begin to gather sources and collate images that represent an individual's identity. Your sources can be either drawn studies, primary or secondary images, quotations, artefacts and other mementos.

Good luck, and we look forward to seeing you in September,

Tollbar Sixth Form Art Team.