Whose Face is it Anyway?

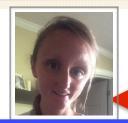
The Caricature Quarterly

Why Caricature?

Mrs. Brooks and Mrs. Spengeman chose to explore caricature because they wanted to know how this single type of art form is capable of creating joy, persuading others beliefs across nations, and creating history!! Using caricature and political cartoons, history and art have interacted to literally change destiny. Your teachers want you to learn how you can use your gift in art, math, science, or any other field to create purpose and persuasion!

Plus they are really cool and funny too!!
Mrs. Brooks and Mrs.
Spengeman learned so much about this art form and they look forward to sharing all that they learned with YOU!





Oh, the Places WE Will GO!

Did you know that around the 1850's Political Cartooning aided in the take down of a mafia boss that was literally stealing New York City? Or that Caricature art is the most identifiable and well known art form in the world? How about that our beloved Dr. Seuss created WWII propaganda that was EXAGGERATED and full of racial slander? AND without caricature art we wouldn't have the drawing of the modern day Santa Clause! Caricature art is SO much more than just a drawing of a person made to look funny. Caricaturist use **symbolism and exaggeration** to distort a persons most prominent features to connect the artist's

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point of view to his/her audience. The rich, famous, powerful, and criminal have all been targeted by caricaturist and political cartoonist with all sorts of agendas. So the next time you are at a carnival or school fair and see a caricaturist creating art, think about how that portrait may **INTERACT** with our world!



There's an APP for THAT

Hyperfy



Take a photo or import one and twist it, stretch it, expand it, or shrink it!



<u>Draw</u> Caricatures

Learn to draw like a pro watching hundreds of videos all about caricature!



Create a caricature with a million possibilities! Add hair, a chin, mouth, ears and more!



Carnival Mirror

Choose from several carnival mirrors to view yourself EXAGGERATED! Take a photo and share!



Caricatures



Similar to FaceKit, but with fewer options and easier to use!



MORPHFACE

Create caricatures of a new or uploaded photo by making facial features

EXPLODE or SHRINK!

TECH TALK: The Art of Caricature in Today's Culture

Drawing Caricatures - Art for Kids!

This website contains information about art and design technology. With step-by-step illustrations and directions on how to draw a human face using the five basic shapes.



http://art-educ4kids.weebly.com/drawing-caricatures.html



Richmond Illustration Inc.

Tom Richmond is a humorous illustrator and an award winning cartoonist and caricaturist. This website is full of resources related to caricatures including Tom's online portfolio of illustrations, Tom's *Mad Magazine* art, celebrity caricatures, biography about the artist, Tom's Mad Blog, client list and caricatures of Tom.

http://www.tomrichmond.com/

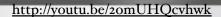
The Cagle Post Cartoons and Commentary.

Daryl Cagle's page is stuffed full of political cartoons, other popular cartoonist work, a blog and a FREE daily newspaper you can subscribe to!



http://www.cagle.com/latest-political-cartoons/

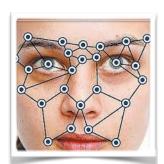
Nick Snyder created a five-minute You Tube video on how to draw caricatures that is very easy to follow. The creator walks you through the process of drawing a caricature one step at a time and unlike other caricaturists, this artist





What Caricature Can Teach Us About Facial Recognition?

Did you know that with in 100 milliseconds a person is able to recognize a face? Or that hours after birth a baby is drawn to a face? It is believed by Neuroscientists that the human brain has a specific area dedicated to facial recognition called fusiform gyrus which is located in the temporal lobe. Much of this research is studio through the art



of caricature. Think about it...caricaturist are able to draw a few distinctive lines of a well known person's face and people are able to quickly identify who it is. Caricature art is closing the gap from science fiction to the real world in the realm of facial recognition.

Could you imagine walking down the road and

security cameras being able to follow each person and identify him or her with facial recognition software? Consider how this might eliminate crime or evade our privacy!! Well those times are coming and part in thanks to caricaturist who are lending scientist their brains. Scientists are studying how these artists' brains are able to compute the human face into these cartoon like drawings we are all familiar with. Stephen Silver, a caricaturist that began 20 years ago at Sea World and is now a character designer for animation studios says, "If they used caricatures for police composites today," Silver says, "people would be like, 'What is this, a joke?' But the cops would catch the guy." Check out our website to read more on this article at http://www.wired.com/2011/07/ff caricature/all/ to find out what scientist studies have found and how caricatures bring faces to life!

Art with Alex is full of wonderful art project tutorials just for you! The tutorials are divided into Part 1 and Part 2, and each of these lessons is about eight to nine minutes long. Alex, the artist, draws the caricatures step-by-step upside

www.youtube.com/watch?v=343RYTHpTto



BOOK CORNER

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Some EXTRA reading for this Summer!!

Dr. Seuss Goes to War: The WWII Editorial Cartoons of Theodor Seuss Geisel
By: Richard Minear

How to Draw Caricatures By: Lenn Redman

Face Off: How to Draw Caricatures And Comic Portraits

By:Harry Hamernik

Drawing Caricatures: How to Create Successful
Caricatures in a Range of Styles
By: Martin Pope

A PICTURE IS WORTH 1000 WORDS

"A LOT OF PEOPLE THINK THAT CARICATURE IS ABOUT PICKING OUT SOMEONE'S WORST FEATURE AND EXAGGERATING IT AS FAR AS YOU CAN. THAT'S WRONG. CARICATURE IS FINDING THE TRUTH." "Stephen Silver

Beyond the Classroom

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- **People Watch** Sit at a public place and practice sketching the FIVE main shapes of the FACE. LOOK DEEPER and incorporate your ideas of who they are and how they INTERACT with our society.
- READ THE NEWSPAPER- WHAT?? Check out the political cartoons in your local newspaper and determine the meaning. What symbolism, EXAGGERATION, and irony do you see? Create your own political cartoon and submit it to your local paper!
- **Consider** the quote above and **think** about the meaning behind these words. What does Silver mean when he says caricature is, "finding the truth"? How can understanding this help you to become a better **CARICATURIST?**
- Try adding color and bodies to your caricature drawings. Check out the BOOK CORNER for great resources to help guide you!

FAMILY CORNER

When students are reading we ask them to do what? VISUALIZE! Using caricature drawings children are able to sharpen an area of their brain that is responsible for thinking creatively and then can later activate it during activities like reading. Allowing students to think creatively and STRETCH their brain will show our children what they are capable of!! This week students will create self-caricatures while thinking about how our INTERACTIONS with art and society impact our world!

Scan this, using a QR scanner to visit our web page!!
Students work and other updates can be seen here!!!
Brooks & Spengeman





A West Virginia study found that students with more art credits performed better on the ACT

California third graders who particpated in a special arts program saw their reading scores improve by 87 points

AND THERE'S MORE...

The Dana Consortium found that art can improve attention skills...

And that students who study music have better geometric reasoning

The book "Studio Thinking" links arts education to skills like persistence, vision and engagement



HOWEVER ...

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There's an argument to be made for art for art's sake

Educator Howard Gardner points out that no one asks how math can improve music

FOOD FOR THOUGHT!

