

Capstone: Portfolio Showcase & Critique

Name: _____ Date: _____

LEARNING OBJECTIVE

The student will present their finished portfolio to an audience, articulate their artistic choices, and reflect on their growth across the quarter.

MATERIALS NEEDED

- Completed, assembled portfolio (from Week 8)
- a display space (table, wall, or floor)
- paper
- pencil
- an audience of family/friends

HANDS-ON ACTIVITY

1. Set up a small 'gallery' display of your portfolio pieces in your chosen order on a table, wall, or floor for viewing.
2. Invite at least one family member or friend to view your gallery display as an audience.
3. Walk your audience through the portfolio piece by piece, reading or paraphrasing your artist statement and explaining at least 3 specific pieces (technique used, theme connection, a challenge you overcame).
4. Ask your audience to choose their favorite piece and explain what stood out to them, and write down their response.
5. Write a final reflection paragraph comparing your Week 1 thumbnail sketches/ideas to your finished Week 9 portfolio, describing your growth as an artist this quarter.

QUESTIONS

1. Which piece did your audience choose as their favorite, and what did they say stood out to them?
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2. Choose one piece you presented and summarize the technique and theme connection you explained about it.
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3. What was the biggest challenge you faced while creating your portfolio this quarter, and how did you work through it?

4. Comparing your Week 1 thumbnail ideas to your final Week 9 portfolio, how has your artistic skill or confidence grown across this quarter?
