

Trivedi AV3Mo

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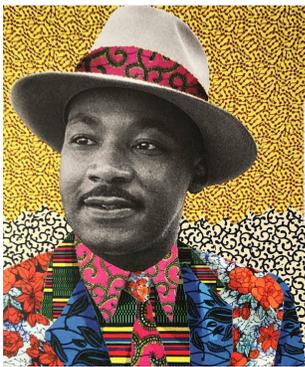
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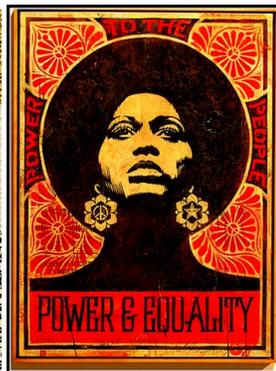
Artwork due: **February 20th**

February 5: begin brainstorming in your sketchbook. You have many options:

1. Draw, colour, paint and reflect on Black visual art. You may respond to the following questions: what is the subject of the work? what is the message? what do you think is the theme or what meaning does the work convey? what is the artist's view of the world? **Do not copy the art!** Link: <https://www.widewalls.ch/black-artists/>
2. Create and display art that depicts Black heritage and/or experiences. Your art could be about important role models/activists in the black community. Remember to be careful not to culturally appropriate. Talk to me if unsure.
3. Make artwork related to respect, love, inclusion, diversity, equality, activism, anti-oppression etc



Martin Luther King with Ghana textile



Art by Shepard Fairey



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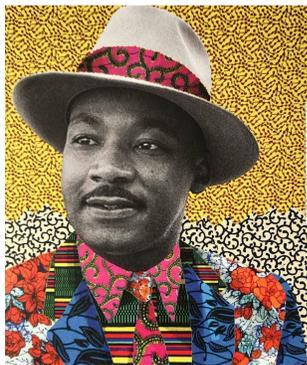
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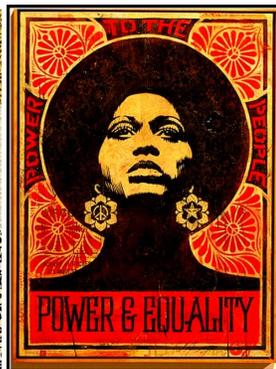
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Art as a tool for activism



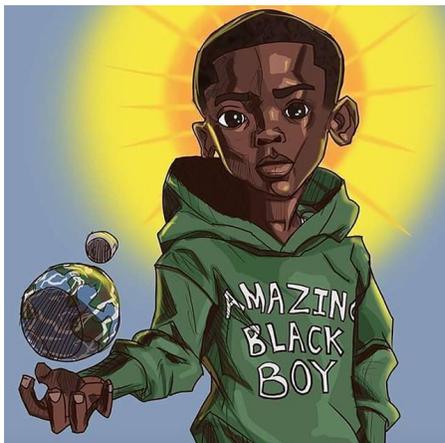
"The Sunshine State by Justyne Fischer reflects the artist's reaction to a tragic outcome for the young African American boys; Treyvon Martin and Jordan Davis, both victims of the Stand Your Ground law in Florida. The historical reference to lynching reflects the pain, grief, and complexity of the racial divide that the black community has dealt with for too many years."

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"Nancy Ohanian's conceptual piece, EPA Regulations is a powerful and visual reminder of what environmental injustice looks like. Implied are the effects of race and politics on a human right as simple as clean and safe drinking water. The irony not lost that in the most developed country in the world one of Michigan's poorest and blackest communities have not had access to safe or clean water."

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In backlash against H&M's advertisement

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