



Teens with a Movie Camera

Session 1 Recap: Getting Things Moving

Whether it's the playful story of [a man and a chair](#), a [guacamole recipe](#) with everyday objects, or a series of photographs at the [Kitchen Table](#), **interesting art can be made with the simplest ingredients found around us.**

- One way to enchant our ordinary world is through **animation**—the art of making things move, from items in your backpack to a basket of fruits, or even ourselves and each other (a technique called [pixilation](#), which features human performance). It may seem intimidating at first, but don't worry—using tools like the free app "[Stop Motion Studio](#)," **anyone can animate.**
- **Sound** is just as much part of filmmaking as images. Open your ears to the world around you, and see what interesting sounds you can create and capture with the tool in your pocket...

Film is a language of its own. Without a single line of dialogue, artists can speak volumes through images. Short films can convey personal feelings, struggles, and ideas, as we saw in two works by the Teens with a Movie Camera creative team: Evan's [Anxiety Art](#) and Monae's [Death of the Monarch](#).

At-Home Creative Project: Animated Self-Portrait

Using the tools and ideas we practiced in our first session, convey something about yourself through a short animation. *How can you express yourself through images, without words?*

There is no “incorrect” way to approach this animated self-portrait—each person's project will look different. Go in any direction that inspires you, and enjoy yourself in the process!

When finished, upload to the individual Google Drive folder that will be sent to you,

Or, you can send it to etbode@syr.edu / (970) 227-5873

Try to upload your work by the end of Wednesday, if you are able!

If you have any questions or would like to consult about these projects, you are always welcome to contact msuchy@syr.edu, lisuchy@syr.edu, or etbode@syr.edu

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