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### **Assignment #3 – Crafting Your Artist Biography**

**Objective:** In this assignment, you will create a compelling and informative artist biography that encapsulates your artistic journey, influences, style, and notable accomplishments. An artist biography is a critical tool for introducing yourself to the world and establishing a meaningful connection with your audience.

#### **Instructions:**

##### **Step 1: Reflect on Your Artistic Journey**

- Reflect on your artistic journey, influences, and the evolution of your work. Consider the factors that have shaped you as an artist.

##### **Step 2: Identify Key Elements for the Biography**

- Decide on the structure of your artist biography. Typically, it includes an introduction, information about your background and artistic journey, your style and influences, notable exhibitions or awards, and a conclusion.

##### **Step 3: Write Your Artist Biography**

- Start with an engaging introduction that grabs the reader's attention and provides a glimpse into your artistic world.
- Share information about your background, education, and any relevant experiences that have influenced your artistic development.
- Discuss your artistic style, techniques, and the themes that often feature prominently in your work.
- Highlight any notable exhibitions, awards, residencies, or collections that your work is a part of.
- Conclude by summarizing your artistic philosophy and what you hope to convey through your art.

##### **Step 4: Revise and Refine**

- Review your artist biography and ensure that it flows well and accurately represents your artistic journey and aspirations.
- Check for grammatical errors, clarity, and coherence.
- Seek feedback from peers or mentors to improve the clarity and impact of your biography.

**Step 5: Format and Presentation**

- Format your artist biography in a clear and easy-to-read manner.
- Aim for a biography length of approximately 150-250 words, ensuring it is concise and engaging.

**Submission:** Submit your artist bio to me as a shared doc so I can make edits/suggestions. Once finalized submit your final version to me as a Word doc and PDF. Format file name as follows: “first initial lastname\_ artist bio\_ fall 2023\_ final.docx” for example “mgreco\_ artist bio\_ fall 2023\_ final.docx”

**Example Template:**

New (Fine Artist) Bio (Artist Name) was born in (Year) in (Town, State or Country). In (Year), she received her (degree) in (subject) at (University). (Last Name) has already been included in various important exhibitions including (“Title”) at (Venue, City, State) and (“Title”) at (Venue, City, State). This year, she will attend (Residency or Special Program). Upcoming shows include (“Title”) at (Venue, City, State). (Last Name) currently lives and works in (City, State).