

# Show Me How

# STEP-BY-STEP INSTRUCTIONS

## **Acrylic & Charcoal Mouth**

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### Requirements

- Charcoal
- 10 x 10cm Canvas
- Number 4 flat or filbert brush
- A set of acrylic paints

#### **Instructions**

#### Step 1:

Draw a mouth from any picture onto a small 10 x 10 cm or larger square canvas in charcoal.

#### Step 2:

Fill all the values (darks and mid-tones) by shading them with your charcoal as shown. Leave the lighter tones white.

#### Step 3:

Wash the charcoal with a brush dipped in water. Clean your brush thoroughly with water between values. Use a number 4 flat or filbert brush.

#### Step 4:

Prepare your palette – for your skin tones use ordinary white as your base, add a little orange and mix. Add the smallest touch of blue to your mix. Split these in two and add more white and blue to one of these skin tones to create a cooler lighter mix.

#### Step 5:

Paint areas as indicated – leave some darker areas exposed. Add red to the lips in the same fashion, blending it into the dark areas to the left using a little dry brushing or scumbling.

#### Step 6:

Add a little playful black oil pastel to the darkest areas.

#### Step 7:

Add a little magic with soft pastels – orange in and around the top lip to soften and brighten and a little to the bottom lip as shown – don't overwork it! Add a few white highlights with white soft pastel.















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