

Identity Shaping through the Artistic Process

An exploration

INTRODUCTION

Thesis

- The process of creating art has the potential to impact the artist's identity by changing his or her self-concept. This occurs when the artistic process changes self-representations or changes the elaboration or relative salience of a self-representation .

Methods

- Learn about identity theories, cognitive processes, and other background knowledge
- Create works of art, recording information about myself, my life, and the artistic process as I do it
- Synthesize the information into reflections on my initial thesis

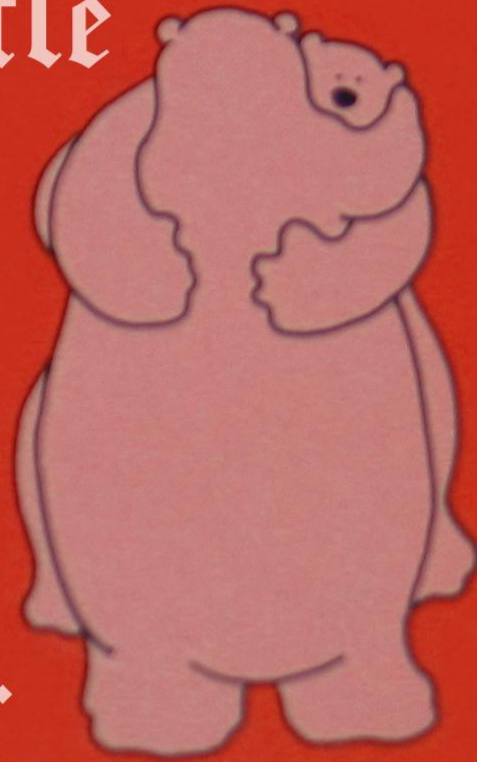


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Take-Away Message

- Two effects of the artistic process
 - Immediate change in working self-concept
 - Changes self-representations through “dialogue”
- Motivations for piece are likely a major factor

Lifelong Learning

- I suck at AHS writing
- Talking to people lets me figure out what to write
- I have high ambitions
- Learning is fun!