

Cartoon Me - Learn To See First

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OK, so off we go with our very first lesson. This one involves watching my video and observing how the drawing of a cartoon character comes together by clicking on a few buttons in the "MyWebFace" free cartoon maker (special note before you install the MyWebFace toolbar software, do read the Policies on the bottom of the page, as the cartoon maker software does have it's own terms and conditions, just like any software you install, please read carefully before installing, some users have found their computer going slow after using this software, so you may wish to consider not using it or uninstalling it after you are finished with your cartoon.).

It is not as easy as it looks, as you have to be able to judge distances well, analyze proportions and observe colors. You can do this exercise yourself, by downloading the free cartoon maker tool, at "MyWebFace" just click this link to get it. Make sure you watch the video first to get an understanding of how to decide on what eyes, mouth, nose, hair etc to chose.

Just be looking more intently at your reference, whether it is a photo or a live subject, you will be setting the foundation for becoming a better artist.

First you must SEE correctly before you can DRAW accurately.

The old masters knew this very well, now it is your turn to discover this secret that many people don't know.

When you create a cartoon version of yourself, send it along and I will post it on the page for others to see!

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