

Questions to consider as you create your composition

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GROUP 1: Your perception of the historical past of the world

- What about history interests you the most?
 - *Why?*
- What historical events stand out to you?
 - *Why?*
- How can your representation of history be meaningful to who you are today?
- Why is it important to study history?
- How did the actions of others throughout history shape the world you live in today?
- Which stories do you hear about the most in your history classes?
 - *Why?*
- Which stories do you not hear about very often in your history classes?
 - *Which voices are often left out of historical narratives?*
 - *Why?*
- Why is art that accurately represents historical events so important?
- How can you depict history through art?

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GROUP 2: How you view the current world around you

- What things (events, people, places, ideas) in your life are important to you?
 - *Why are they important to you?*
 - *What does that say about you?*
 - *How do you represent these things through art?*
- Do you want to represent the world on a *global* scale, or do you want to focus on your *local communities* and *immediate surroundings*?
 - *What do you think about when you think about the world right now?*
 - *What do you think about when you think about your current life in your local community?*
- Why is it important to live in the present?
- How do your actions affect the world around you?
- In what ways can you depict your experiences?
- How can you represent these values through art?

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GROUP 3: Your imagined future of what the world could look like

- Does your imagined future look like a **dystopia (an imagined state or society in which there is great suffering or injustice)**, or more like a **utopia (an imagined place or society in which everything is perfect)**?
 - *Why?*
- What do you think humans will wear in the future?
- What do you think buildings and the environment will look like in 50 years? How about in 150 years?
 - *Why?*
- What technology do you think the world will have in 10, 20, 50, 100, or 1000 years?
- How might what we value as a society change as the world changes?
 - *On the other hand, how might what the world looks like change as what we value as society changes?*
- What can you do to shape the world into one that you enjoy living in?
 - *How do your actions impact the future?*
- How might you depict these ideas through art?