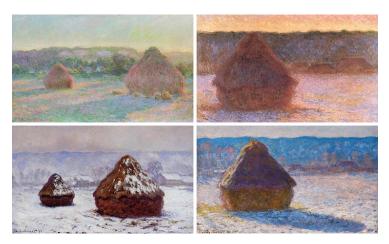
## Q - Why do Artists work in a series?

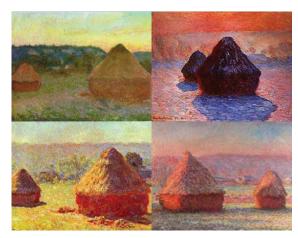
A - Artists work in a series (multiple solutions) to refine their voice, and hone in on their artistic style. The advantage of working in a series of more than one solution, is that you can explore a variety of different media (media is plural / medium is singular.) The medium / media is the material(s) that you make your art with i.e. painting is a medium, pastel, graphite, clay, etc.)

A series can also provide you an opportunity to have multiple opportunities to express to the viewer what your artistic vision is. For example, Monet created a series of paintings of hay stacks. His vision was to capture the changing landscape, with the beautiful colors and light. Monet's vision is best presented in a series with a common subject matter.

Within a series an artist can also explore their own process. Maybe in your series you have a common subject matter, but you explore a different color scheme. Maybe in your series you try adding or subtracting a part of your subject.

Your series is a journey, of trying new ideas, and allowing your vision to change.





Claude Monet did over 25 solutions of hay stacks

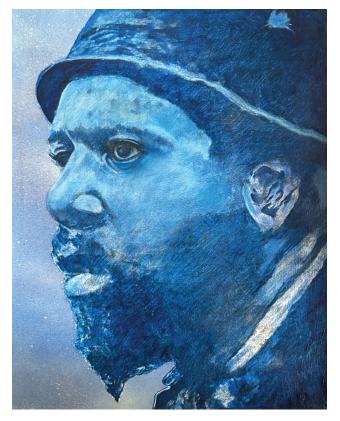
**Directions** - For this assignment you will choose a piece of art that you have already created. Your piece could be from Art 2 class, or a piece that you created just for yourself.

Step 1 - Have a reference. You can work off of a photograph or you can bring in the actual piece.

Step 2 - Create some sketches and writings to help you focus on how you plan to redo, change, or push the original idea further. Helpful hints - Maybe you change the medium, maybe you change the color scheme, maybe you add or eliminate a piece of your composition. There are no limits to how you can explore your own work. Be creative.



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Thelonious Monk Solution #2 Aaron Knight