

## Charcoal Shoes

For this project, students will experiment with charcoal as they develop their ability to create various forms, proportions and values. The end goal is to draw a shoe which you will place on the table as a subject to be examined closely. Having the reference in front of you will help to figure out the 3-dimensional aspect of the shoes as well as the many nuances in the laces and the lighting.

### Part 1: Working with charcoal

- The first thing you need to know is that charcoal is quite messy
- Practice with charcoal:
  - Take a sheet of paper
  - Draw basic 3d shapes: cubes, cylinder, pyramid, spheres
  - Shade and cast shadows on your shapes using a light source
  - Practice control of value: gradient and spontaneous value
- Check-in with Sav when you are comfortable with the above elements

### Part 2: The Shoe

- Lightly sketch the shoe:
  - you will need to erase quite a bit
  - if you press too hard or erase too much you will have to restart as the paper will not hold the charcoal\

- Work on improving the shoe until you are content with the progress
- Check-in with Sav
- Carefully shade your shoe and cast a shadow