Mog Craft Project: Self-Portrait Collage

In this activity, you are given a chance to define yourself visually by the content of your character. By creating a collage of images showing items you like, or things you like to do, you are allowed to build a visual inventory of yourself to share with peers. The self-portrait does not need to be an accurate or realistic representation. It is simply a collage composed of images that you feel are related to your identity. For example: If you enjoy gardening – add your favorite plants. You may consider adding favorite colors, images of sports you play or enjoy, favorite foods, pets, hobbies, and other favorite things such as super-heroes or real-life heroes. What other things make a person who they are?

Materials:
• Newspapers
• Magazines
• Scissors
• Glue sticks
• Cardstock paper (11”x14”)

Instructions:
1. Start with a piece of construction paper or cardstock. This is where the collage will be built.

2. Look through the magazines and find images that define you, such as your favorite things, things you like to do, and favorite foods. Cut them out. You may also add words.

3. Glue all the clippings on the construction paper. Focus on creating a self-portrait, however, it does not need to be realistic. It can be a conceptual self-portrait.

Inspired by Transparency: An LGBTQ+ Glass Art Exhibition. This is the nation’s first museum exhibition of Studio Glass works produced exclusively by artists in the LGBTQ+ community and highlights identity and the importance of being honest with oneself and others about identity.