"TREMAIN SMITH." TREMAIN SMITH. N.p., n.d. Web. 30 Jan. 2015. http://www.tremainsmith.com/new/>.

Tremain Smith is a famous artist known across America. Her four works permanent collection is at the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York. She has had dozens of solo exhibitions in New York, Los Angeles, Chicago, Atlanta, Philadelphia, Scottsdale, Maine, Delaware, Florida and Hawaii. Looking at her paintings I see that she uses many geographic shapes to form her paintings. They look like water colors and even though it doesn't make a specific object, it's art. I want to take from this the soft colors that she uses, I do not want to make my painting too bright.

"About James Dupree." Save Dupree Studios. N.p., n.d. Web. 30 Jan. 2015. http://www.savedupreestudios.org/about-james-dupree.html.

Jermaine Dupree was one of the first black graduates of the University of Pennsylvania. He's from here in Philadelphia. Dupree's works are in the permanent collections of several museums, including the Philadelphia Museum of Art, the African American Museum in Philadelphia, and the Schaumburg Museum in Copenhagen. He teaches many programs across the Philadelphia area. They recently tried to remove him from his studios but he fought hard to keep it. I actually want to meet Mr. Dupree and ask him for help with my capstone.

"How To Build A Custom Sized Stretched Canvas." Instructables.com. N.p., n.d. Web.

29 Jan. 2015. http://www.instructables.com/id/How-To-Build-A-Custom-Sized-Stretched-Canvas/>.

This next site gives me an overview on how to build my actual canvas. I want to build one instead of buying one because it gives me more experience and I personally

believe that it would make the process more memorable. I will need wood to build the frame. For this job, I will buy the wood and hopefully use the power tools in Miss Echols room. Next, I will then need to purchase a canvas sheet. On the sight it says that "I paid \$7.00 for a square yard of it" (hopefully I can find it for cheaper). I then need a stapler gun to put it together. I have to pull the canvas around the back to make it look perfect.



"How to Make a Canvas for Painting." Youtube. N.p., 20 June 2012. Web. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OmrPXnRRLVA>.

- Canvas Material
- Four stretcher bars (two one size and two another size)
- Hammer
- Staple gun

Scissors

The wood has to be hammered together into a square, whatever size you want it to be. You lay out your canvas sheet and put the square over it. Fold the left over material over the stretcher board and staple to canvas material. It won't be as tight as in the store, so you just prime.

"Tips on What Makes a Great Painting, by an Art Dealer with Twenty Years Experience."

YouTube. YouTube, n.d. Web. 30 Jan. 2015. https://www.youtube.com/watch?

v=J81PSdwHiD4>.

The link above gives me advice on what makes a good painting or not. One advise, is composition. That means that everything about the painting works, there's nothing random on it and everything is in the right position. Another one is symmetry. Are the objects the right size. Is a person's hand too big, their head? The color palette is also important. If it's a pleasing mix of colors, not too bright. Goes to very bright, to bright, and less bright. The final thing is brush strokes. The motion isn't all over the place or you can see in what direction they brushed it. Do work with an artist!

"Philadelphia Skyline Art." N.p., n.d. Web. http://fineartamerica.com/art/all/philadelphia
+skyline/all>.





I finally got it down pat towards what I want to paint, or at least an idea. I think I want to do the Philadelphia skyline. It represents me and just about every other person in this school. I would find my own unique way to represent it. Another thing that I need to find out is how I'm going to paint it, or what kind of paint I would use. When looking at the two pictures above, two types of paint were clearly used. One looks like a printed picture while the other one looks from the 70's.

"Robot Check." Robot Check. N.p., n.d. Web. 30 Jan. 2015. http://www.amazon.com/
Philadelphia-SUPERNOVA-Hand-made-Wallprint-USP500887/dp/B00C1M5SA2">http://www.amazon.com/



Another idea that I have that just popped in my brain, is using multiple canvases. In my opinion, it would look very neat if these multiple canvases came together to make an entire piece. It would represent unity. Which brings me to another idea towards a painting. It's between two. Either I do the Philadelphia skyline in multiple canvases, or somehow I represent my growth throughout my high school career. If I do the high school career change, I would use four canvases. In each canvas, would represent my growth in freshman year, sophomore, junior, and senior year.

"Cherry Blossom Watercolor Painting - Happy Family Art." Happy Family Art. N.p., n.d. Web. 30 Jan. 2015. http://www.happyfamilyart.com/art-lessons/watercolor-art-lessons/ http://www.happyfamilyart.com/art-lessons/watercolor-art-lessons/ http://www.happyfamilyart.com/art-lessons/watercolor-art-lessons/ http://www.happyfamilyart.com/art-lessons/ <a









I found he perfect painting that would represent me for my capstone. I want to be a flower. I flower blooms over time. I want to be represented as a flower growing throughout the three canvases. However, on the fourth canvas, I want to be a complete flower, because SLA has made me grow into a young lady. I do not want that flower at the end. I want the one below on the last canvas.



I also want it to be pink just like represented above. All I need to figure out is what type of paint I want to buy. So far, the colors are looking like:

- Pink
- White
- Brown
- Red
- Gold
- Light blue

"Craft Paint." - Paint. N.p., n.d. Web. 30 Jan. 2015. http://www.michaels.com/painting/craft-paint/809188094>.

Now that I know what I want to paint, it's time to research the prices. One out of the two stores that I need to go to is Michael's. Michael's is an arts and crafts store that sells

pretty much everything. From there, I will be buying the paint and the canvas fabric (paint brushes I already have). The paint varies from .69 cents to three dollars. The canvas. I've run into a little situation however, the canvas roll is 35 dollars to 45 dollars. I think it's time for me to fundraise.

"Framing Lumber & Studs ." Framing Lumber & Studs. N.p., n.d. Web. 30 Jan. 2015.

http://www.homedepot.com/b/Lumber-Composites-Framing-Lumber-Studs/

N-5yc1vZc3tc>.

The second store I need to visit is Home Depot. At Home Depot I will buy the wood and a staple gun if Miss Echols does not have one.



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