**Joiners**

**Multi-image Photo Project**

**Objective:**

To complete an image in the style of David Hockney’s joiner collages. You will demonstrate basic knowledge of composition, camera settings, and digital darkroom techniques. Create a photographic collage scene that is made up of many detailed images.

**Requirements:**

* May be of any **interesting** subject matter of your choice. (see list of subject’s not to use)
* Follow elements of composition as it pertains to your subject matter.
* Capture the whole scene with your first shot to use as reference later.
* Zoom in for detailed shots, of the main parts of the scene you want to capture.

**Creative Tips:**

* Try tilting and moving your camera in different positions, throughout the photo-shoot as you work your way around the subject or scene in which you are composing.
* Try capturing your subject in a way that shows them in multiple views (ex. Seeing their face from different angles, or their arms in different positions)
* Once you’ve captured everything at the same focal length…zoom in on details, or enlarge some images in PS to bring more attention to detail.

**Steps for each Joiner project:**

* Take a picture of the whole scene for reference
* Take many zoomed in images of the scene… “mow the lawn”
* Join your images together:
  + create a blank canvas to drag and drop each image into place
  + File>New>set your dimensions to 20 inches Wide and 20 inches High set your resolution to 300
* Drag, drop, rotate, transform your images onto your canvas.
  + If you need more space…Image>Canvas Size (then adjust your height and width to fit more images)
* Make editing adjustments, and add effects (drop shadows) to the individual layers change background color if needed. Make extra creative edits to your work to bring out your subject matter, or create an emphasis in your composition.
* Flatten your layers (BEWARE!!! You can no longer adjust individual layers after this)
  + right click on a layer>flatten image
* make editing adjustments to the entire image (cropping & basic adjustments)
* Save as JPEG format, titled with your name and Joiner (ex. Johnsmith\_joiner)