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Superheros of COVID-19

Let's all celebrate the real life Superheroes who are fighting COVID-19 every day. Who are these people? It's doctors, nurses, grocery store employees, teachers, retail employees, bus drivers, workers in factories making PPE and processing our food, post office workers, delivery drivers, restaurant staff – who do you see demonstrating strength, bravery, dedication, and courage during this very challenging time?

Adapted from an idea submitted by Chicago Public School teacher V. Butler.

Materials needed

- Something to draw with (pencils, pens, crayons, markers, etc.)
- Paper, or something to draw on.

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Step 1: Think about the people who are working to keep us safe and healthy.

Step 2: Draw something that represents one of these people, or a group of these people.

It doesn't have to be them. You can draw symbols, words, people – whatever you think will communicate your appreciation for their sacrifices.

Step 3: Share your image!

Post it to social media, hang it in your window at home, laminate it and put it on a stake in front of where you live – think of creative ways to share your thanks broadly.

Step 4: Think of other ways you can show our Superheroes your support.

Is it by volunteering, or following social distancing rules when you go shopping? Is it by wearing a mask, or buying them a coffee? What ways can we be superheros too?

Step 5: Compare the drawings.

What do you like in each drawing? Did you find yourself seeing different things or thinking of different ways to draw when you used your non-dominant hand?

When you're done with your project, take a picture and share it with us too! You can tag us on social media (@designmuseumchi on Instagram, Facebook, and Twitter) or email us at info@ designchicago.org. We're looking forward to seeing your work!