

FRIENDSHIP & ART ACTIVITY

Draw in the Style of Natasha Khan Kazi

Thank you for bringing this free activity into your library or classroom! As an author-illustrator, I love drawing people. This toolkit shares the facial features from my art style — head shapes, eyes, noses, mouths, and hair — so kids can mix and match to create their own portraits, then draw themselves and special people. I hope they pick up a few helpful thoughts about friendship along the way. No art experience required!

What's Inside

Illustration Guide:

Mix-and-match facial features. A few shared copies per table (or projected) works fine.

Drawing Worksheet:

Students draw portraits of themselves and others, in the style of Natasha Khan Kazi. Print one per student.

Friendship Poster:

A 'Making New Friends' poster of helpful thoughts to display during the activity or keep up all year.

Good to Know

Ages 5-11

15-20 minutes

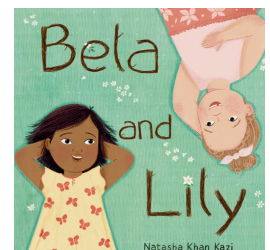
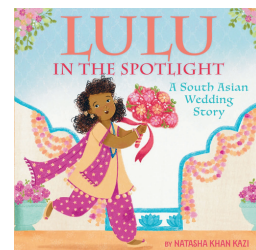
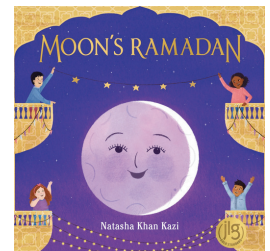
Paper and pencil

Storytime, drop-in, or guided lesson

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About the Author & Illustrator

Natasha Khan Kazi is an author, illustrator, and teaching artist whose award-winning picture books celebrate culture, curiosity, and childhood joy. Born in Dhaka, Bangladesh, and raised in Texas, Pennsylvania, and Virginia, she now lives in Southern California with her family. Her books include *Moon's Ramadan* (School Library Journal Best Book), *Lulu in the Spotlight: A South Asian Wedding Story* (Bank Street College of Education Best Book), and *Bela and Lily*, with *Sun's Eid* forthcoming from HarperCollins in 2028.



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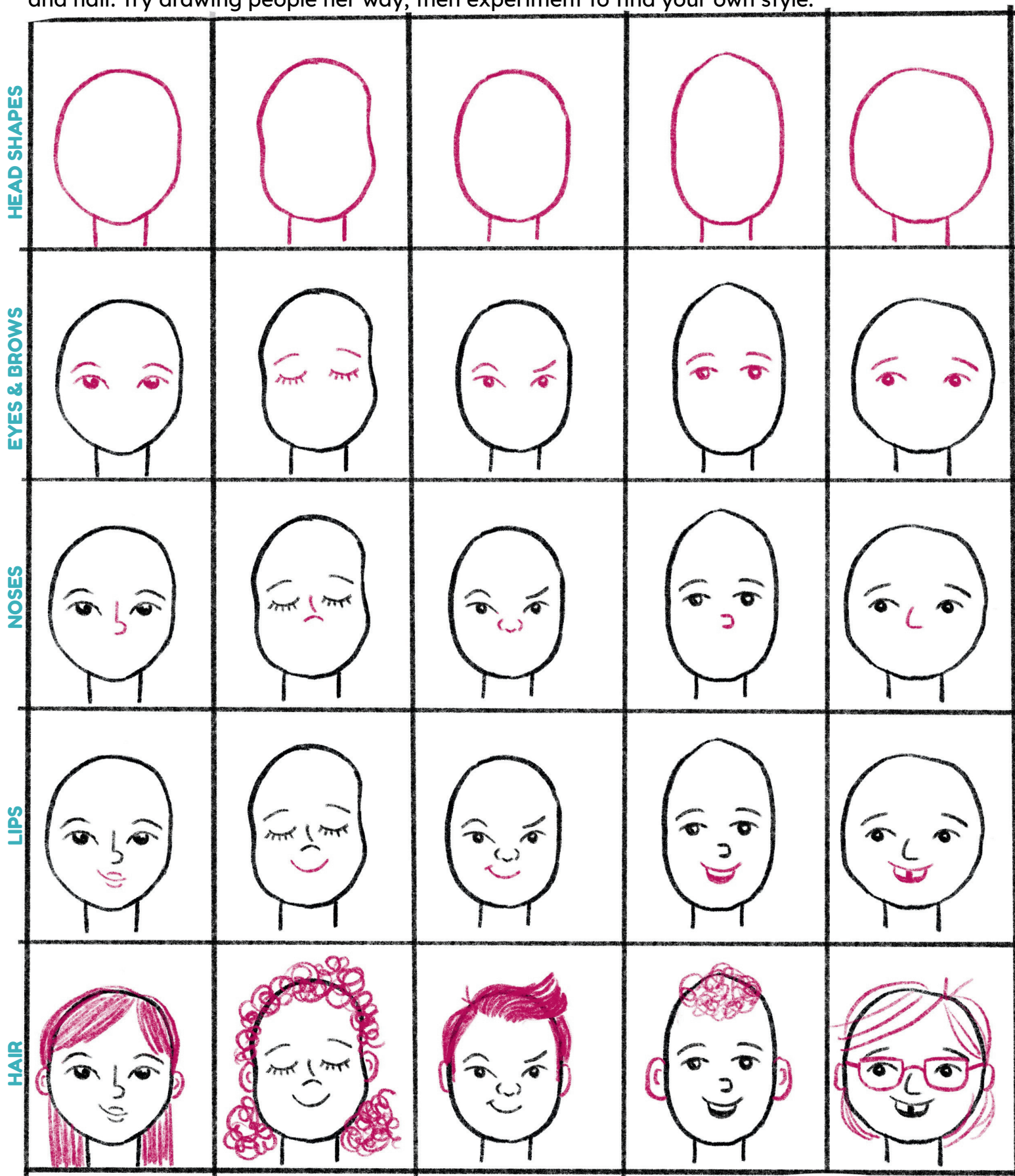
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Natasha Khan Kazi Style Guide

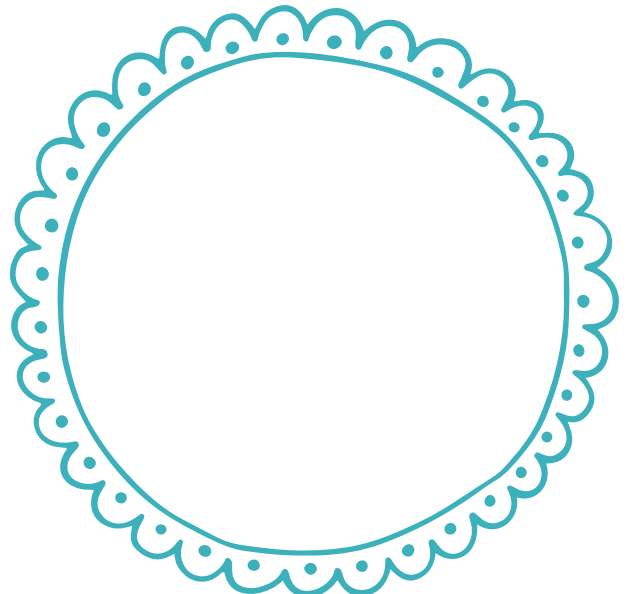
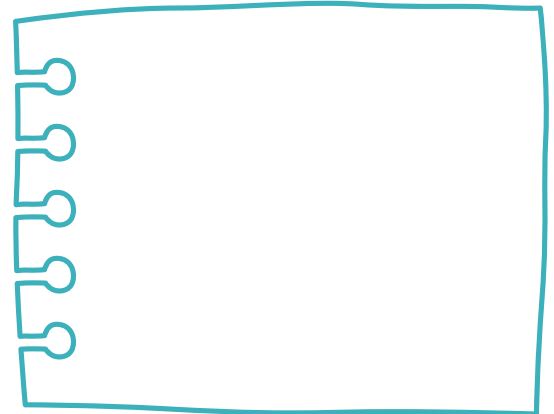
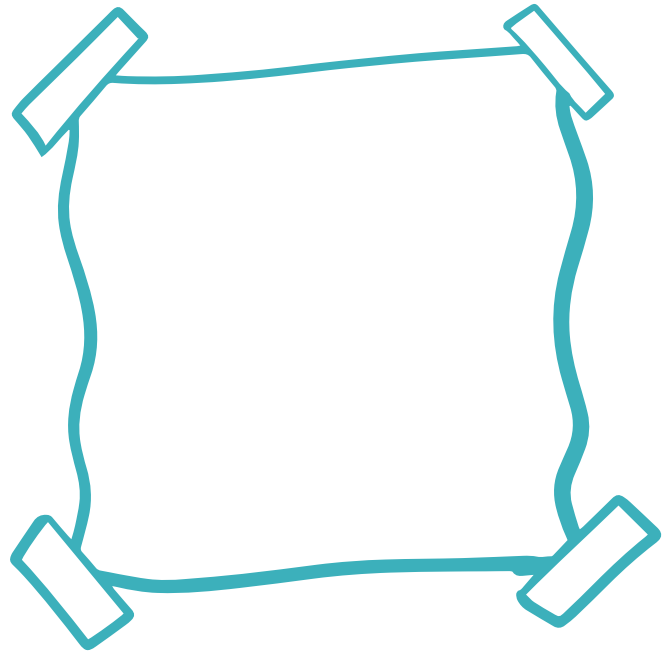
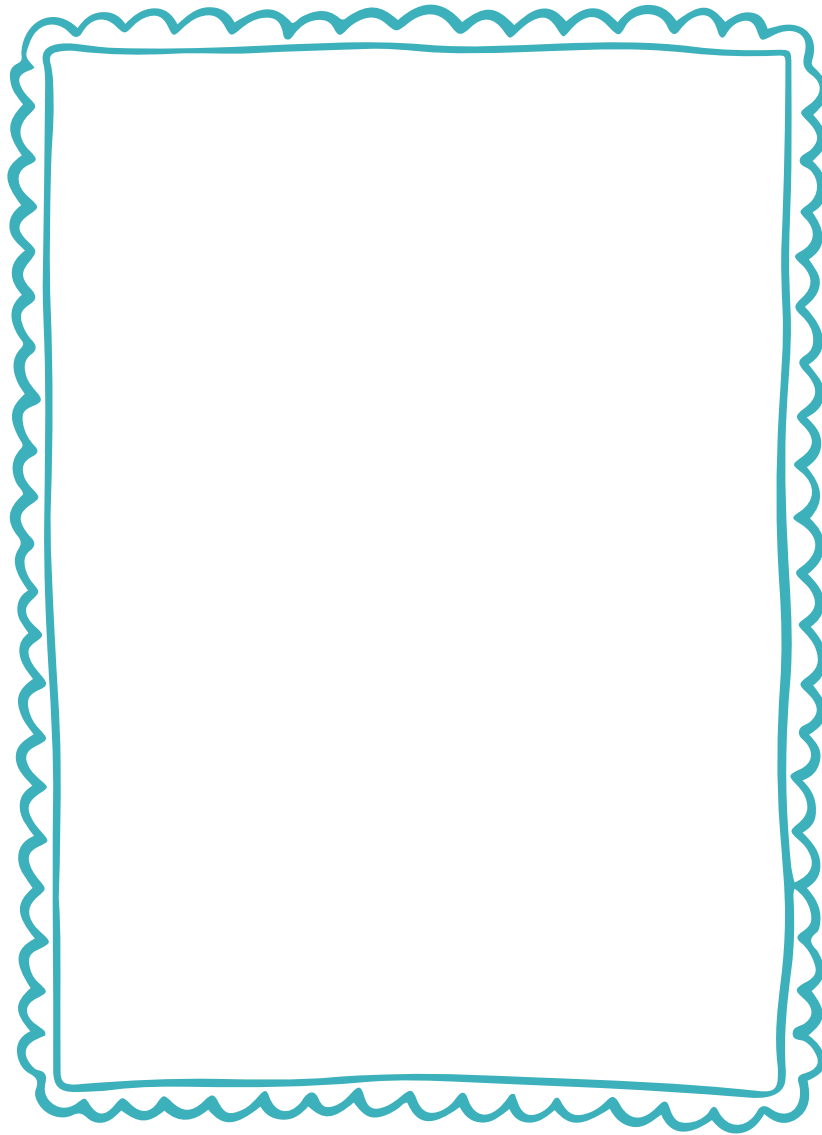
The way author-illustrator Natasha Khan Kazi draws people is her personal art style. Every artist has one. This guide breaks her process into simple steps: head shape, eyes, nose, mouth, and hair. Try drawing people her way, then experiment to find your own style.



Draw Portraits In The Style of Natasha Khan Kazi

My Name:

Welcome to your gallery! Draw yourself, friends, family — anyone special to you. Use the Natasha Khan Kazi Style Guide to mix and match head shapes, eyes, noses, lips, and hair.



MAKING NEW FRIENDS

HELPFUL THOUGHTS

A smile is a great first step.

One question can start a friendship.

Being myself is enough.

We were all new once.

I can feel nervous and still say hi.

I'm already good at being kind.

Friendship takes time, and that's okay.

