

Scenic Design Challenge Instructions:

Step 1: Choose a fictional character as your inspiration. Think about your favorite books, tv shows, movies, comics. (characters like Aladdin, Remy from Ratatouille, Steven Universe, Hermoine, etc.)

Step 2: Choose an area in your space to re-imagine and design (it could be your desk, a wall in your room, a reading area, where you do your homework, a corner). Think about a space maybe that you've ignored, or have felt uninspired by, a space you've spent too much time in. This is an opportunity for you to reimagine the same wall you've been looking at for four weeks – follow your heart!

Step 3: Use these guiding questions as a jumping off point to explore your character and use the things you already have in your space to re-design that area! Feel free (with your family's permission of course) to re-arrange it, add objects, tape things on the wall. BE SAFE and make sure not to damage your living space. But push yourself to think outside of the box and really focus on the details of the space.

Maybe you can envision/ sketch/ dream a few different ideas and things. Look at the space you've chosen from different vantage points. Try something, revise it, and try a new thing – go back to our conversation of "first ideas" from our warm-up today – challenge yourself to think in new and exciting ways!

Guiding questions:

- How organized is your character? Are they a messy person or a clean person?
- What are their favorite colors?
- What type of books does your character read?
- What does their handwriting look like?
- What sort of things would that character like to remind themselves about? ("Steven remember to pack a bunch of cookie cats in your hamburger backpack for the trip")
- Would their space be bright or dark?

After you've tried a few designs, look at your space and ask yourself "*What story does this space tell?*". Maybe invite someone else to look you're with right now (a family member, roommate) and don't tell them your character and ask them "*What story does this space tell?*"

Step 4: Share it on social media!! Whether on Instagram, TikTok, Twitter, or Facebook – you MUST use the hashtag #virtualstepped so we can re-share your posts! We want to see all the amazing spaces you design!!

Please make sure to:

- use the hashtag #virtualstepped
- tag @steppenwolfthtr (Instagram and Twitter) or @steppenwolftheatre (Facebook) in your posts! (if you tag us in the caption, we will not be able to re-share, please tag us in the photo itself)
- So excited to see what you designers come up with!