

① Make a small figure/ground composition by tearing a 3" x 6" rectangle of black paper into shapes and placing them on a 6" x 6" white ground. When you're satisfied with your composition, glue it down.

② Make a line tracing of the composition

③ Turn the composition up on one corner - about 45° from horizontal.

④ On trace, draw a line up from the bottom corner, about 6".

⑤ Place your tracing's bottom corner at the top of the 6" line.

⑥ Project vertical lines up from the FIGURES in the composition to the traced shapes above. You may have to do several overlays to clean up the drawing, dropping out lines covered by overlapping forms.

⑦ Make another drawing that projects the shapes of the GROUND into the third (vertical) dimension.

PUT BOTH DRAWINGS IN YOUR PORTFOLIO

Congratulations! You're drawing axonometrics!

SOLID HAS SHAPE, VOID HAS SHAPE

