## Laetitia Benat — Black Animation

DIGITALLY ALTERED PORTRAIT ANIMATION

This approach to animation uses image manipulation software, such as Photoshop. It is suitable for small groups or individuals. Instead of using imaging software, a camera on a tripod may be used instead — see the *Hand Drawn Animation* file for further information about this method. The project is applicable for a wide range of studies, including: Art—Media—Drama—ICT.



SKILLS & KNOWLEDGE DRAWING & PAINTING DIGITAL IMAGE MANIPULATION

> MINIMUM EQUIPMENT COMPUTER AND SCANNER

## DIGITALLY ALTERED PORTRAIT ANIMATION (6 hours+)

- 1) watch the video of Laetitia Benat's Black Animation
- 2) discuss artist's intentions in making the work
- 3) students suggest ideas for their own animated portrait
- 4) students draw or paint a portrait (individually or in pairs) on paper
- 5) scan the portrait (see Hand Drawn Animation if non-software)
- 6) import image to software
- 7) alter image see illustration for use of Photoshop blur tool on eyes
- 8) save each alteration as a JPG file label sequentially
- 9) open video edit software and import each alteration as a JPG file
- 10) edit together the numbered JPG files
- 11) add audio if required
- 12) export as movie



## TECHNICAL ADVICE

Free video editing software is available, e.g. Windows Movie Maker and iMovie.

## EXHIBIT WORK

If students would like to exhibit their work on the artists' moving image website, please contact info@artistsmovingimage.com.