🎨 AI Prompt Framework for Visual Creators

Designed for workshops, solo sessions, and collaborative projects from Dorene and AI.

🧩 1. Prompt Structure Overview

Each prompt is built from modular components that artists can mix and match:

> Posterize this photo into 5 layers of light-to-dark values and show me a clear image to use for an applique project. Please also lighten the darkest areas."

2. Core Prompt Templates

These templates can be customized for any visual art specialty:

🖍️ *Design Inspiration*

Component	Purpose
Intent	What the artist wants help with (e.g., design, refinement, inspiration)
Medium	The art form (e.g., quilt, embroidery, digital illustration)
Style/Theme	Whimsical, cozy, surreal, abstract, realistic, etc.
Subject Matter	Characters, scenes, motifs, objects, emotions
Constraints	Size, color palette, materials, audience, commercial use
Tone/Feeling	What emotion or atmosphere to evoke

Example: "Give me visual concept ideas for a [medium] piece in a [style/theme] style featuring [subject matter], intended to evoke [tone/feeling]. Include suggestions for layout, color palette, and embellishments."

📝 *Scene Composition*

"Help me design a [medium] scene that feels [tone/feeling], using [style/theme]. Include character placement, background elements, and cozy or dynamic details."

🎯 *Refinement & Iteration*

“Suggest ways to refine this [medium] design: [brief description]. Focus on improving harmony, clarity, and emotional impact while keeping it suitable for [audience/use].”

🎨 *Color & Texture Planning*

“Create a color palette for a [style/theme] [medium] piece that feels [tone/feeling]. Include ideas for textures, fabric types, or digital brush styles.”

🌟 3. **Specialty Add-Ons for Portrait Quilt Artists**

These prompts support technical and creative depth:

🧶 *Quilt Value Mapping*

“Generate a [4–6]-layer quilt value map for a [subject], suitable for value-based fabric selection. Include tips for choosing fabrics and arranging layers.”

🪡 *Hoop Layout Planning*

“Design a small-scale portrait for students aged [X], using [size] and [theme]. Include layout suggestions, character poses, and inviting background details.”

🧠 *Concept Variations*

“Give three variations of this portrait concept: one realistic, one stylized, one abstract. Include notes on how each version changes the emotional tone.”

🛠️ 4. **Prompt Refinement Tips**

To make prompts more effective:

- Use **specific adjectives**: “gentle,” “playful,” “harmonious,” “layered”
- Include **audience context**: “for beginner students,” “for commercial use,” “for gallery display”
- Add **technical constraints**: “limited to 5 colors,” “fits on A4 printable,” “uses only cotton fabric”
- Ask for **visual metaphors**: “like a sunrise over a quiet village,” “as if stitched from memory”

📝 5. Value Vision

- **Prompt**: “Break your portrait into [4–6] value layers. What fabrics best represent each layer?”
- **Creative Twist**: “Use texture or print to emphasize key facial features.”

🎨 **Posterization Request Template for Collaged Portraits**

Purpose:
Please generate a **color image** based on the uploaded photo that has been **posterized into 4-5 distinct color layers**. This image will be used as a **pattern for a collaged portrait or appliqué project**.

🛠️ 6. From a Photograph – Dorene's Template:

"Could you please create a color picture based on this uploaded image for a fabric collage. Posterize the colors into 4-5 distinct values for each hue, keeping color true to color. The picture will be used to guide me in fabric selection, and I must be able to draw distinct applique shapes with the pattern which has distinct outlined pieces. This should be suitable for an art quilt. Please create a version of this image with a

- ** simple, [solid color, like grey/blue/cream] background
- **or** ** Posterize the background also."

and keep the .png at less than 2.5 MG."

This will provide:

- **Simplified shapes and areas**
- **Clear, separated color zones**
- **Minimal gradients or shading**
- **Defined edges for easy tracing and fabric planning**

You can "Edit Your Output Preferences":

- Stylized but recognizable representation of the original subject representing actual colors.
- Posterization should emphasize **value contrast and shape clarity**
- Ideal for use in **fabric collage, quilting, or layered paper art**

1. Leave it as is for display (e.g., stretched over canvas or as a wall hanging) or add backing and thread paint/quilt for washable projects. ----------

All these prompts are for your personal use to create your own beautiful art quilts, wall hangings, pillows etc etc...

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