



Wadsworth Jarrell created this eye-catching portrait of renowned civil rights activist and writer Angela Davis as a testament to her leadership in the fight for racial, gender, and economic justice. Jarrell depicted Davis wearing a "revolutionary" suit that his wife Jae Jarrell designed in 1969 for AfriCOBRA, a Chicago-based artist collective that celebrated black culture. Featuring the group's signature intense color, Davis's outfit is covered in her own words as well as Black Power slogans reflecting the ongoing struggle of black people in America. Words include black, resist, beauty.

Wadsworth Jarrell, Revolutionary, 1972, screenprint

<u>Activity</u>: Magazine Text Collaging with Words: create an image of a person, landscape, or symbol using words, sentences, and images cut out of magazines. Be sure to think about what the words mean to you and what they might mean to others.

## Materials:

- Magazines, newspapers, or other printed material
- Pencil
- Paper
- Scissors
- Glue

## **Directions**:

- Using a pencil, sketch a simple design on your paper, such as a mountain-scape, portrait, or a symbol that is important to you
- Look through your magazines (or other printed materials) for words, sentences, and colors that you like
- Cut the sections of text into thin strips
- Use glue to attach the strips onto your paper to fill in your design with both words and color

## CURRIER MUSEUM of ART

















