

Johnny Cash (1932-2003) is my American Hero. His story was inspiring because he was a famous musician who stood up for those less fortunate and used his career to inspire others. This was a great quote of his: "I wear black for the poor and the beaten down, livin' in the hopeless, hungry side of town." He also sang faith songs towards the end of his life, which truly inspired me.

I chose the style of Chuck Close (1960's) and Photorealism (for my drawing. The reason I chose this style is because of the dramatic effect, strong contrast it creates and the boldness of it. Also, ironically, Cash was known for wearing black outfits and Close was known for drawing in black and white.

My method of drawing was to use different shades of pencils, a kneadable eraser, and q-tips to blend. To make the stars, I even used a glow-in-the-dark star, that I peeled from the ceiling in my bedroom.

Johnny Cash was a great part of our history!!!!