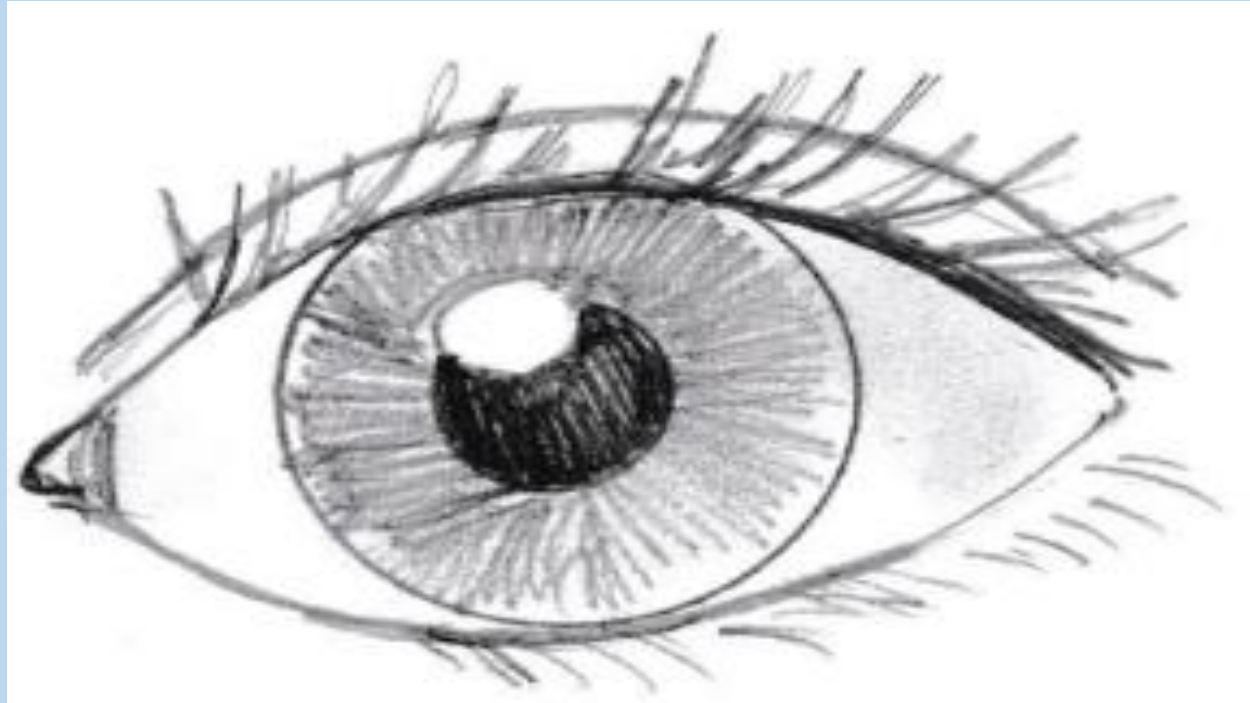


How to draw an eye

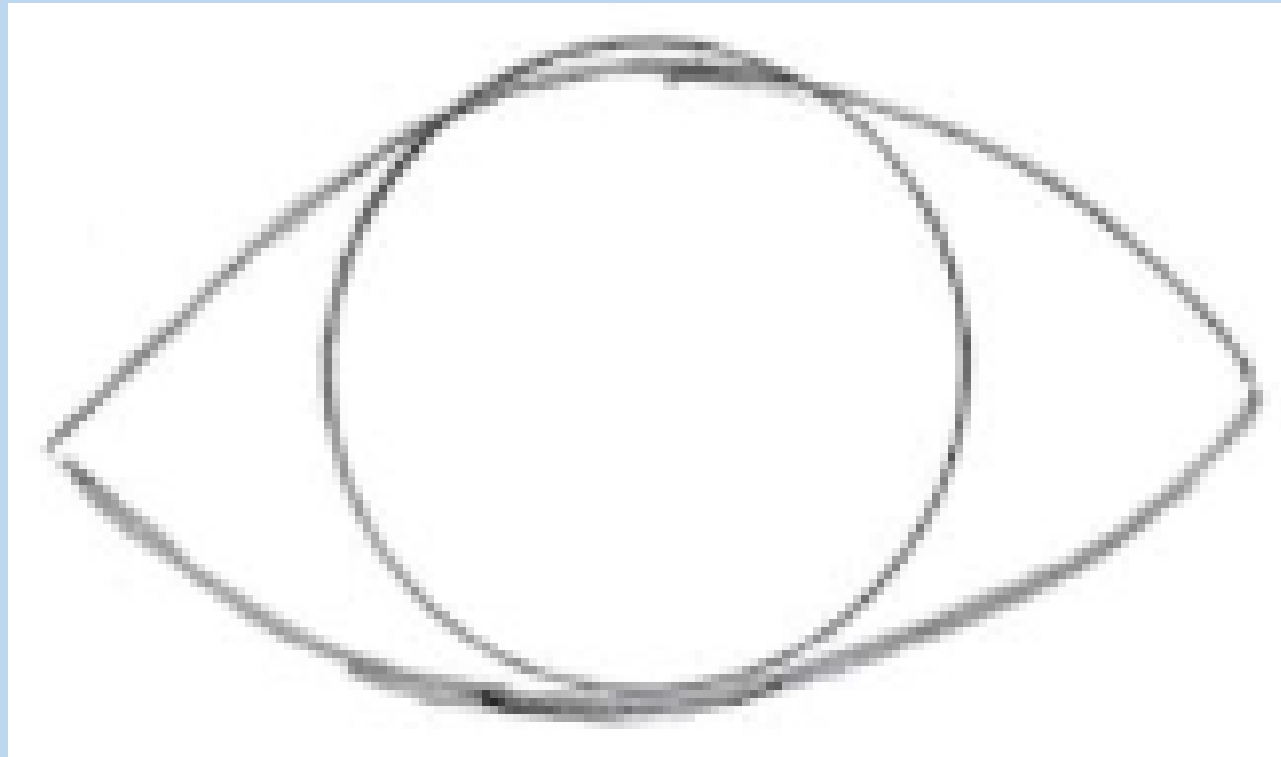


Start by a simple eye shape.
Eyes come in all different shapes and sizes so don't worry if
yours is slightly different from the one below



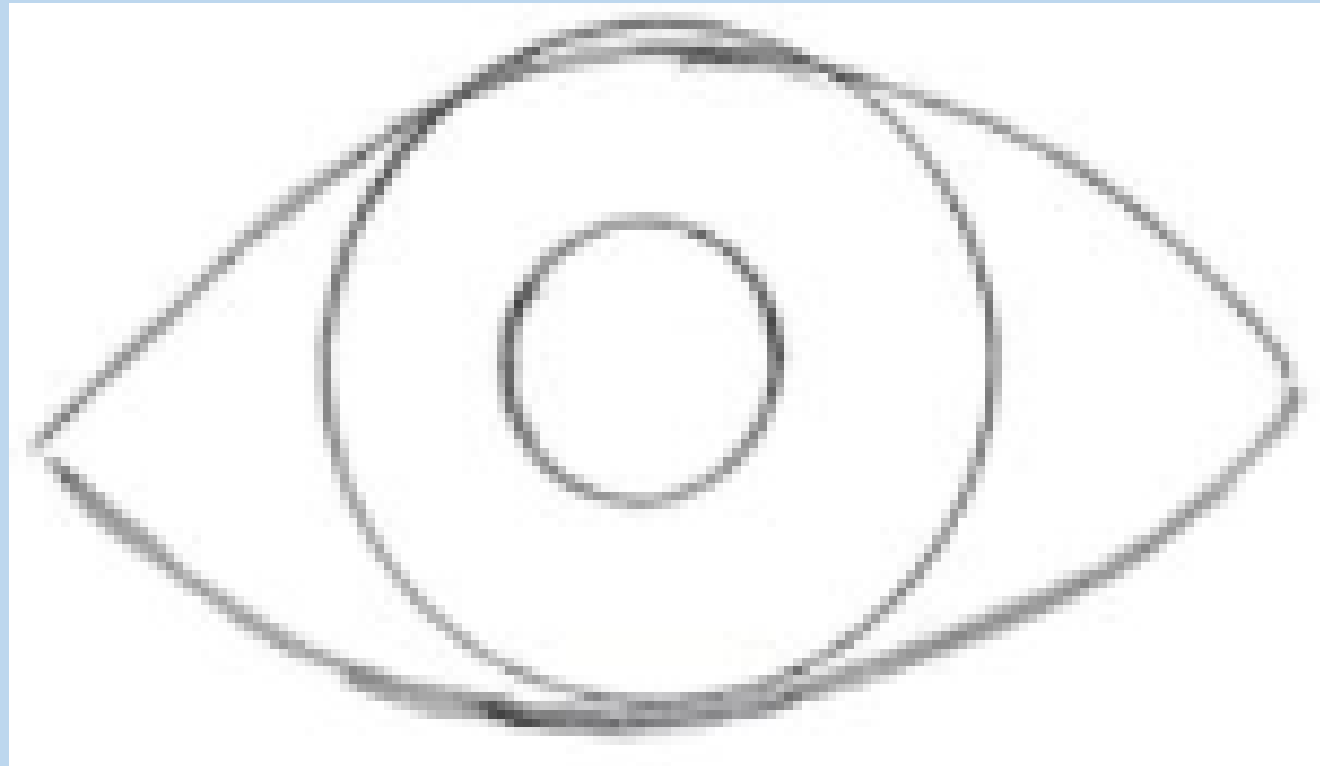
Now it's time to add the iris, the colored part of the eye. No matter what the outside shape of the eye, the iris will always be a perfect circle. Because of this, part of the iris may not show up — the eyelids may cover some of it.

Look at the eye below. Remember to keep the iris as a circle, even if the eyelid covers up most of it. This makes the eye look more realistic .

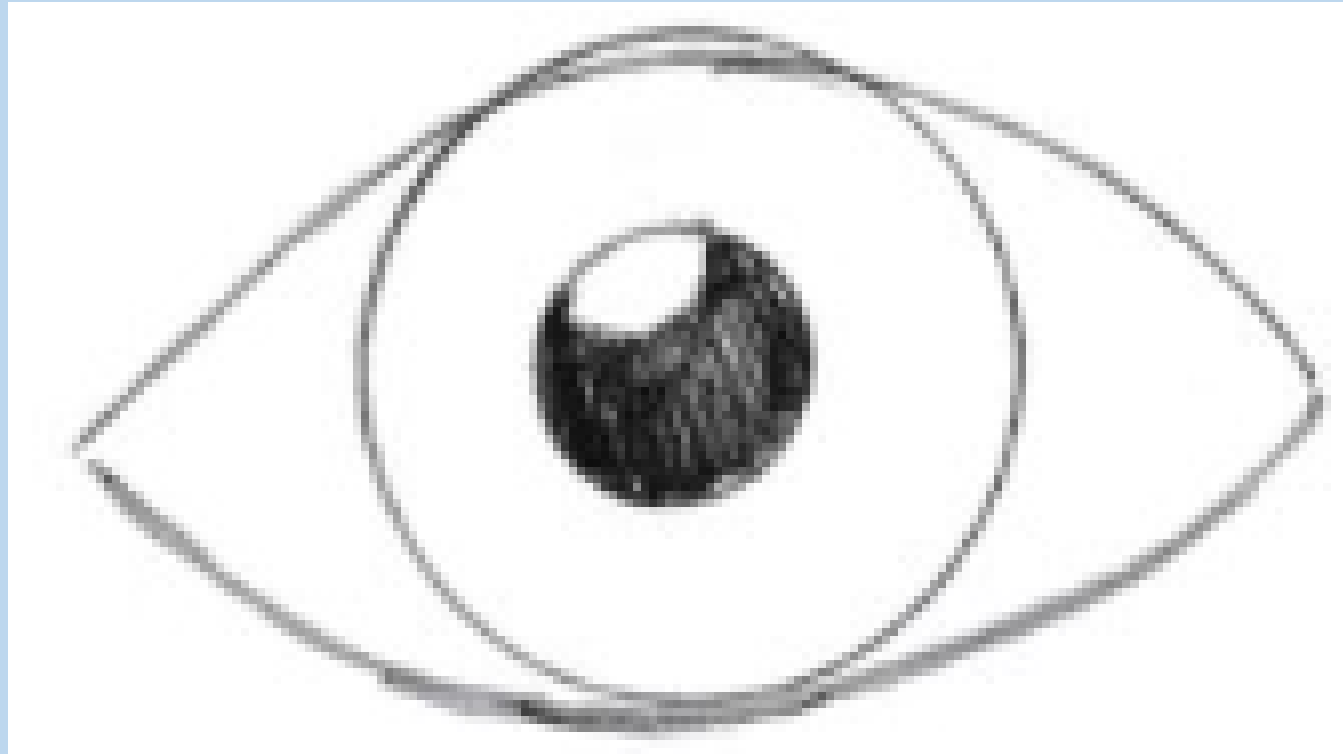


Next, add the pupil. The pupil is the dark circle inside the iris. The pupil is also a perfect circle.

You can make the pupil almost any size. Pupils change size depending on the light in the room. If you draw a person with a smaller pupil, they might appear more sinister. A larger pupil looks more friendly.

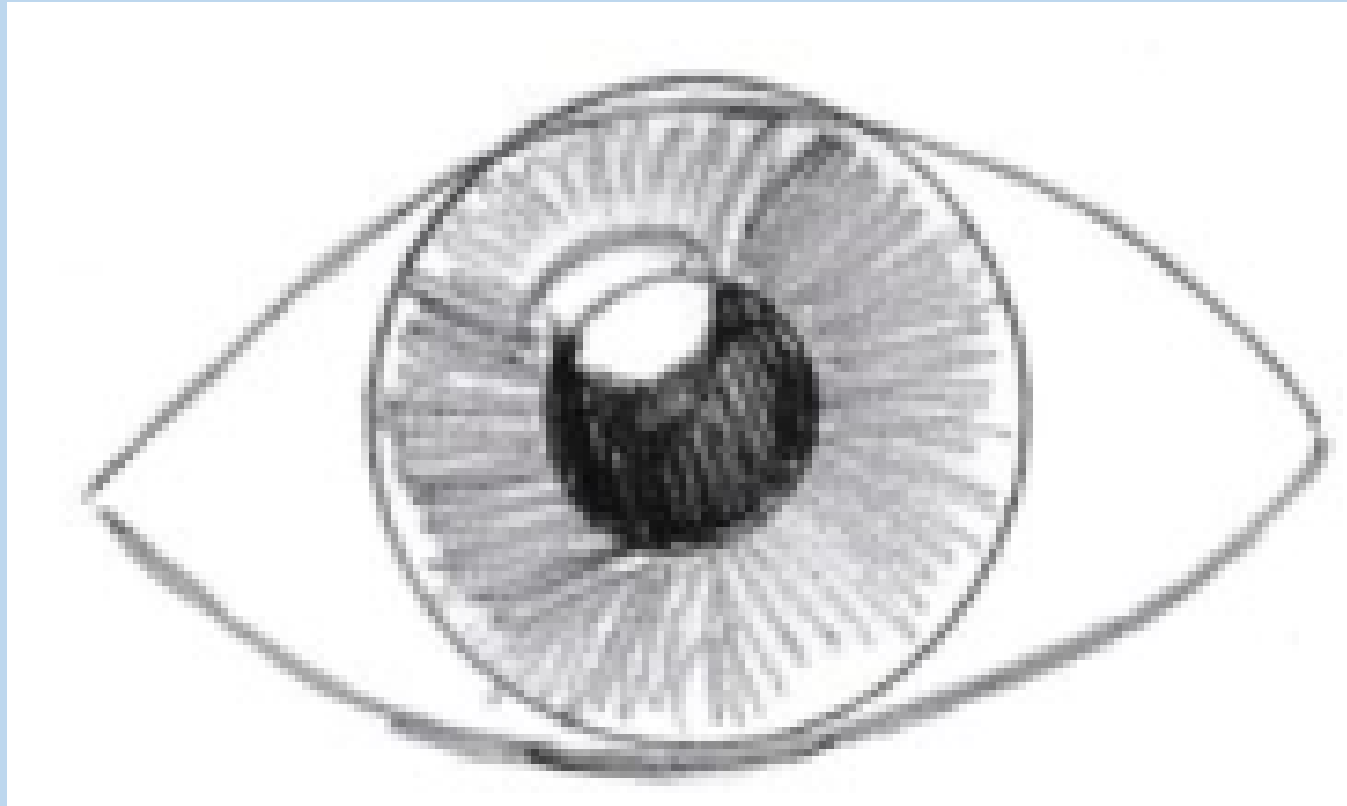


Now “colour” in the pupil with your pencil. The pupil is black, so make it as dark as you can. However, be sure to leave a spot of white. This is the light that is reflecting off of the eye.



To shade the iris, scribbled lots of little lines going around the pupil like rays going around the center of a sun.

Notice also that the highlighted area goes out from the pupil into the iris a little bit. That's because the light is reflecting off the whole eye, not just the pupil.

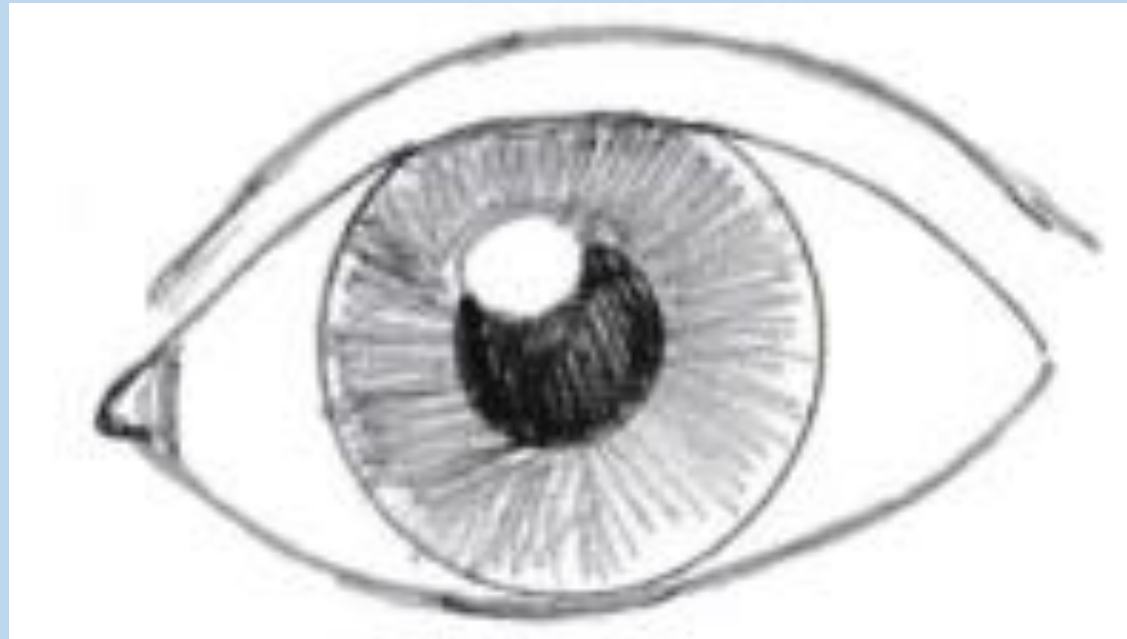


Now to add an eyelid. Draw a line that follows the shape of the lid. Remember — eyelids are all different shapes too.

Rub out any extra lines where the iris overlapped the outside of the eye.

You can also rub out any extra lines that show up in the highlighted area.

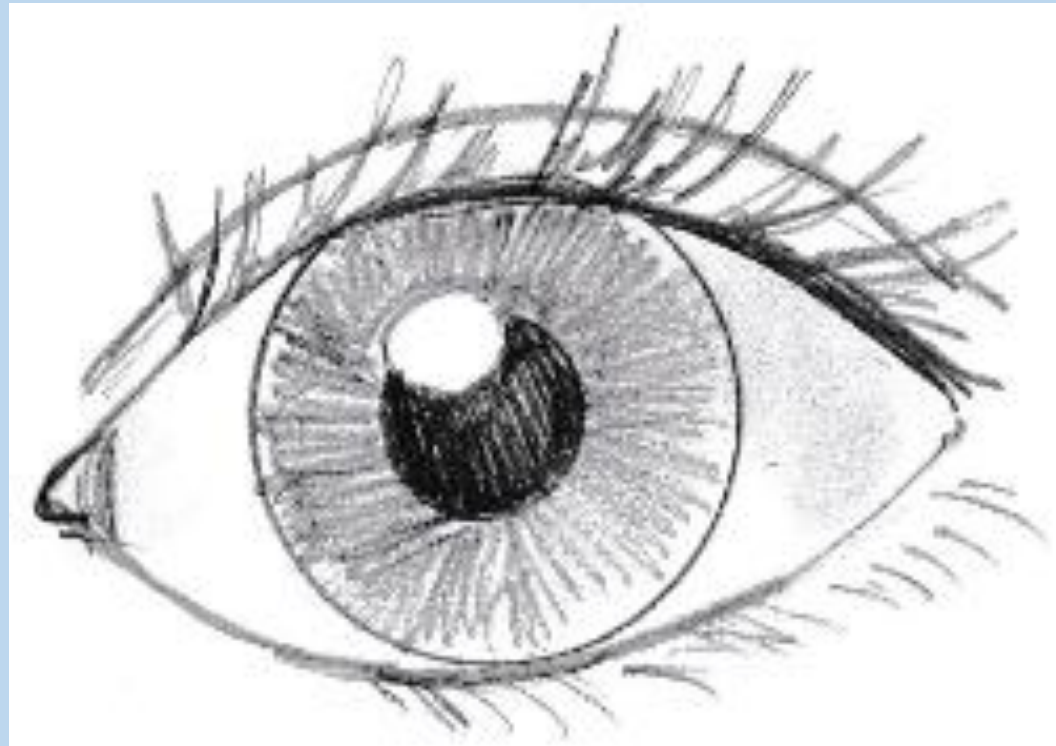
In the corner of the eye, add a line to show the caruncle. It's the red part at the inner corner of the eye.



Add the upper lashes. Remember these don't just go up in a straight line, they curve and point in the direction they are growing. Some eyelashes will cross over too.



To finish the eye, you will need to shade in some of the white areas. The “whites” of our eyes aren’t always white — there’s usually some sort of shadow on them. To make a slight shadow, a cotton bud is brilliant. Scribble on a piece of scrap paper then rub the cotton bud over it until you have lead on the tip. Now gently rub it on the part of the eye you want to shade. If you get too much on it, just use an rubber and try again. Finally add some lashes to the lower lid.



Look at how many colours are in each eye.



Look at how much iris you can see in each eye.

Look at the different shapes of the eyes.