Assignment 5

due October 15 before class

1 page (typed, double-spaced)

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First, read an excerpt from [Polybius’s *History of Rome*](https://github.com/aeszyman/ARTH121/blob/master/readings/ancestor_masks.pdf). Then, answer the following questions based on the reading. What are *imagines*? How did *imagines* function in Roman society? What values did *imagines* embody? What aspirations did they call to mind? Did they shape patterns of behavior, and how? What was their role in funerary and commemorative practices? Why were they especially important for politicians? How are politicians commemorated or celebrated today? Can you think of any contemporary parallel to the use of *imagines* in ancient Rome?