

Using Sketchbooks to Take Ownership of Ideas

By [Sheila Ceccarelli](#)

This workshop happened after a wonderful series of workshops for AccessArt's Experimental Drawing Class by artist [Melissa Pierce Murray](#), who had used sessions to share her approach to making and thinking about sculptural relationships and drawing processes.

Melissa's workshops had been highly energetic sessions and ideas had moved along quickly, with teenagers producing a huge body of work.

In this session, I felt that it was time for students to reflect, consolidate and take 'ownership' of the ideas explored, and an opportunity to use sketchbooks as a place to visually develop and record thought processes.



Using work from a previous session led by Melissa Pierce Murray to make personal sketchbook responses - Miluka working

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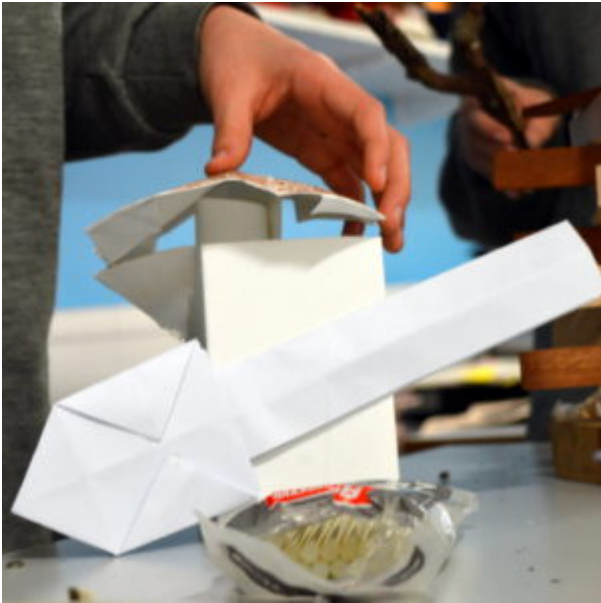
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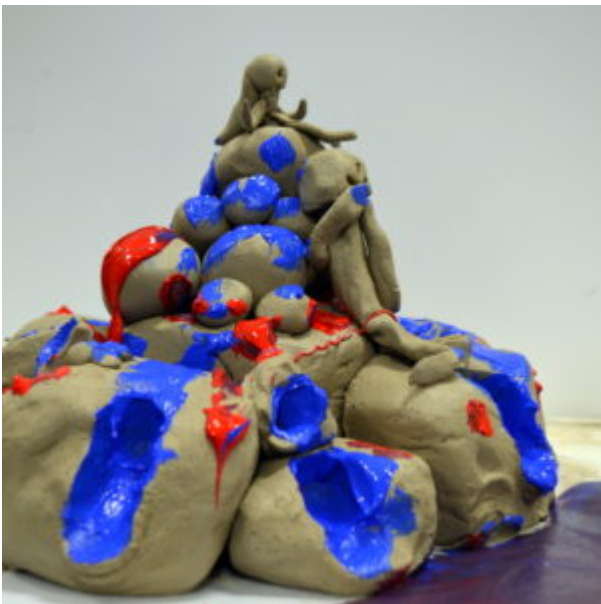
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“Heart-Work” – A series of ‘Arts on Prescription’ style workshops for young people at Cambourne Village College with Arts and Minds; Led by Sheila Ceccarelli (Artist) and Yael Pilowsky Bankirer (Psychotherapist)

This series of workshops with students at Cambourne Village College was part of the ‘Young People’s Pilot’, coordinated and managed Arts and Minds, a leading arts and mental health charity in Cambridgeshire. The sessions were led by Sheila Ceccarelli from AccessArt (artist) and Yael Pilowsky Bankirer (Psychotherapist)

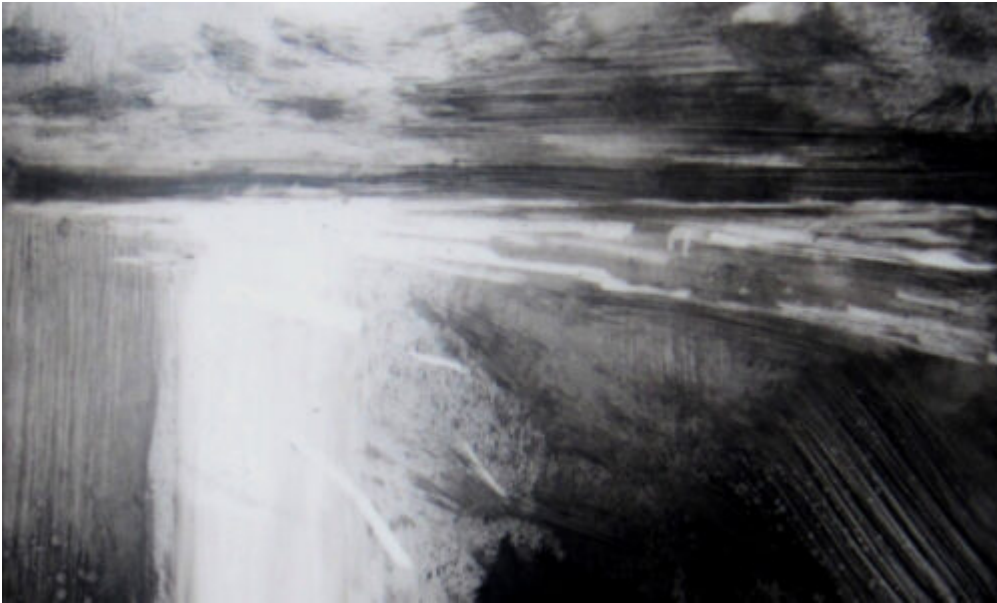
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In this post Hester Berry explores tone as a crucial aspect of landscape drawing and painting.

Landscape Painting: Plein Air Painting



Plein Air painting is the practice of painting outside, normally in front of one's subject.

Landscape Painting: Colour in the Landscape



Hester Berry shows how working with colour can be broken down, simplified and approached in a pragmatic way.

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Practice and hone technical skills, use of tone and colour, observation and time spent in the landscape.

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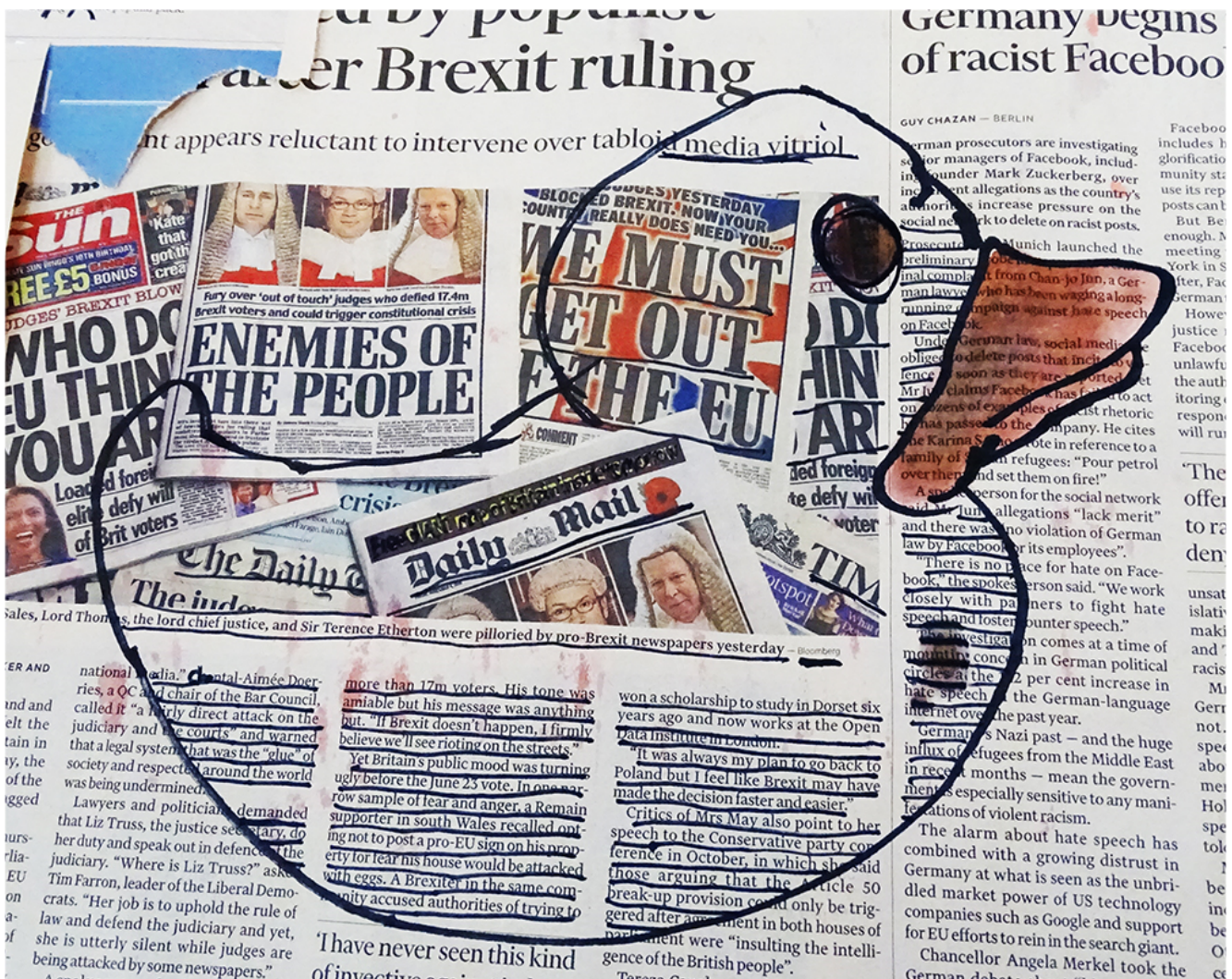
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Making drawings which compete with the

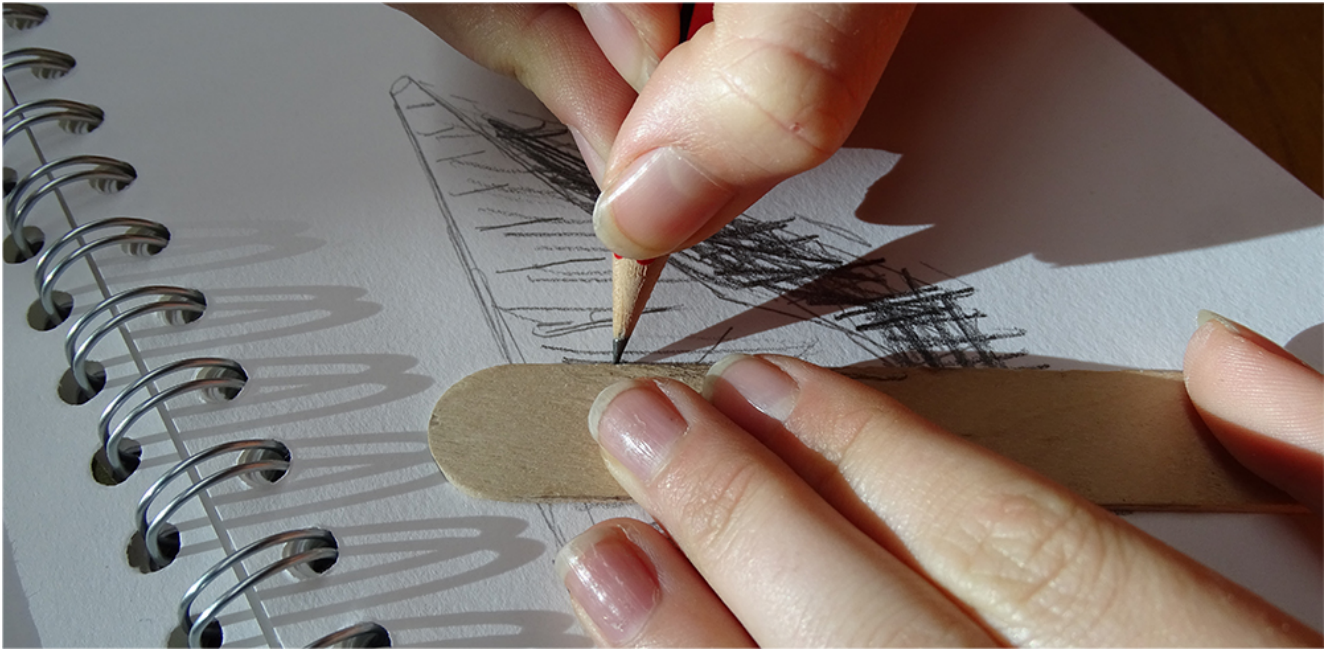
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Making a Charcoal Animation



Inspired by the animations of William Kentridge

Making Ruler Drawings



Using 2 grades of pencil and only straight lines

Drawing Brushes with Charcoal



Using varied marks to capture the qualities of brushes

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Filling a Sketchbook: Ruler Drawings

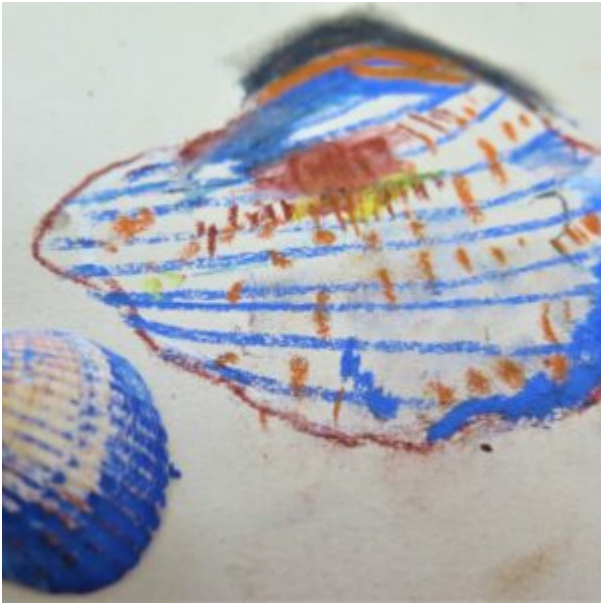
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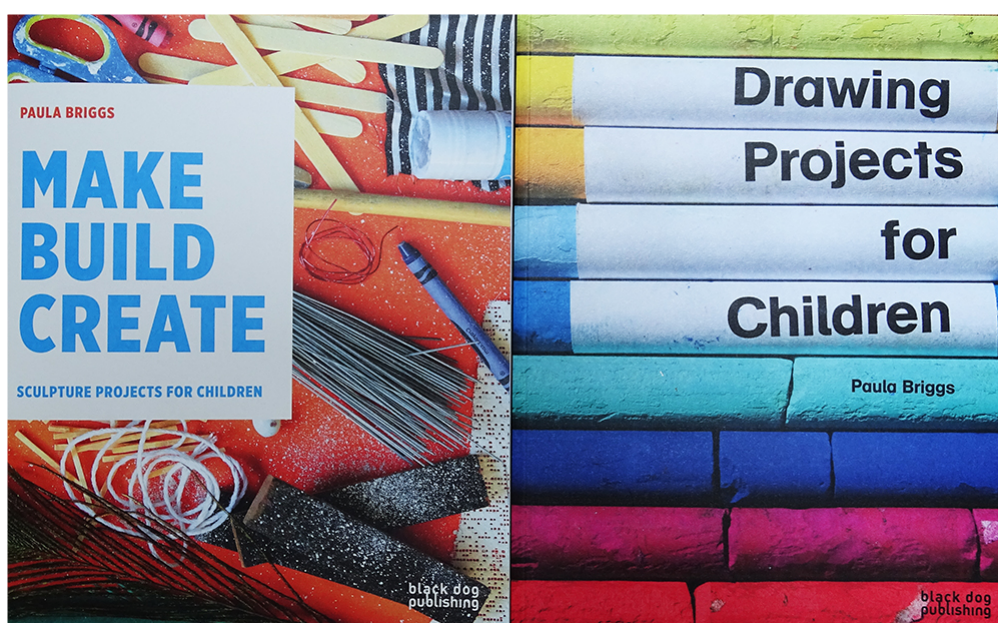
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