

Nests: Materials, Tools Testing and Sketchbooks

By Mandy Barrett and Jo Blaker.

In this first of a series of 3 posts, Teacher Mandy Barrett and Artist Jo Blaker journey on a project that considers the materials and structures of nests. In this first post the class were invited to use inventive and exploratory ways of making marks using a range of drawing tools and ink.

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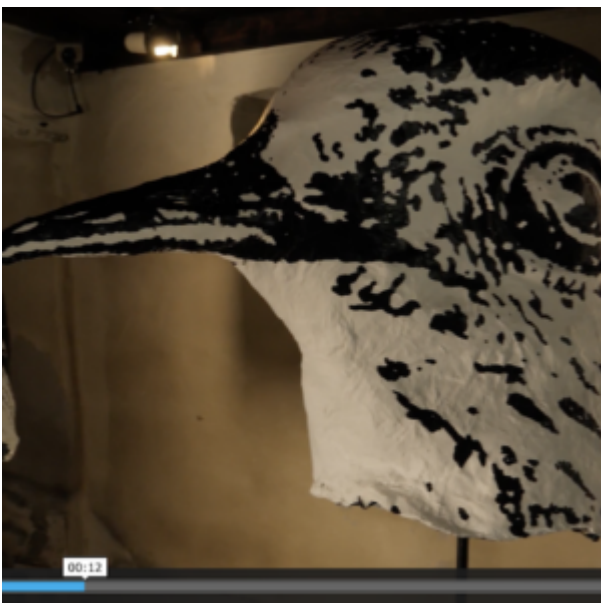
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Drawing source material: nests



A collection of imagery and sources which you can use to prompt drawing