Talking Points: Themes and Concepts

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The resources below aim to encourage pupils and teachers to explore and talk about different themes and concepts that can be found in contemporary and historical visual arts.

They can be used alone as standalone activities (for example you might use them as class or sketchbook activities), or you might use them in conjunction with our new Primary Art Curriculum.

Our collection of Talking Points is in development. Pls make sure you are registered on the site and via our facebook group to be notified of new resources.

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Colourful and surreal illustrations of fishes found in Moluccas (Indonesia) and the East Indies by Louis Renard (1678 -1746) from Histoire naturelle des plus rares curiositez de la mer des Indes (1754).

Fine Art

What is a plinth?



What role does a plinth play?
Introduction to Sculpture

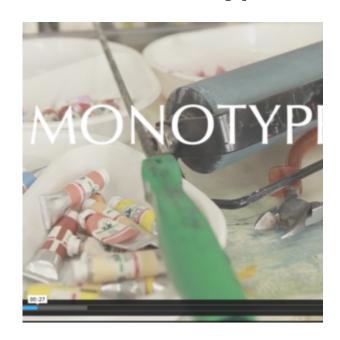


What is "Sculpture"?
The Ancient Art of Kolam



Introduce children to the Southern Indian Tradition

What is Monotype?



Introduce children to the printmaking technique Monotype

What is Chiaroscuro?



What do we mean by Chiaroscuro? cave art



Explore the history and magic of cave art What is a cyanotype?



Explore what a cyanotype is and how they can be used

Artists as Collectors & Explorers

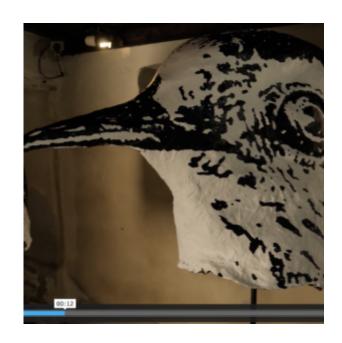


How seeing things with "curiosity" helps artists make work

Inspired by Birds



How have birds inspired artists?
What Can We Learn from birds



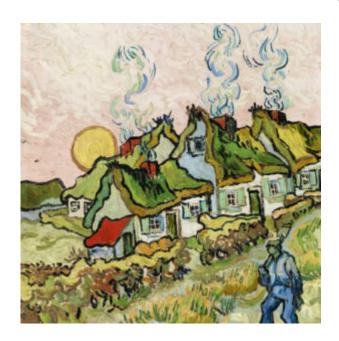
Explore the ways in which artists are inspired by birds

dutch and flemish paintings



Explore the work of dutch and flemish still life painters

Brush Work of Van Gogh and Cezanne



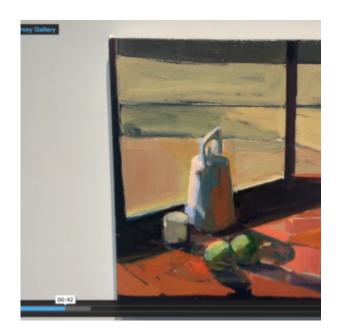
Explore the brushwork detail of paintings by Van Gogh and Cezanne

Artists inspired by flora and fauna



How have artists been inspired by flora and fauna?

Contemporary still life



Explore work of contemporary artists working with still life

Exploring Line Weight



Explore how line weighting can impact drawings

The craft of worry dolls



A collection of sources and imagery to explore the tradition of Guatemalan Worry Dolls

What is Composition?



Explore how shapes, lines and colours can have an impact on composition

Dancing to Art



Find out how you can respond to artwork though movement

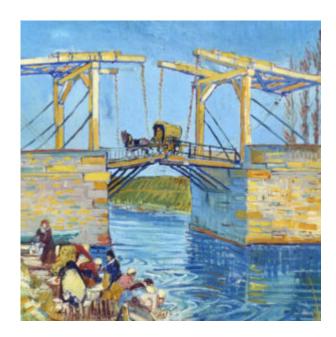
Design

Thinking about Architecture

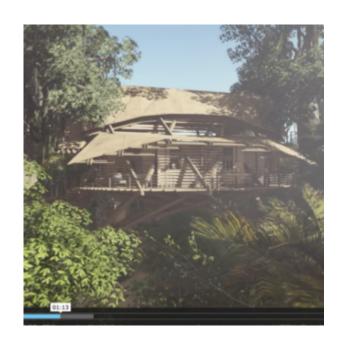


Introducing the idea of architecture to young children

Bridge Design



How imaginative can bridges be? treehouses



Explore a range of tree houses
Tiny houses



Explore a variety of tiny homes

The history of chair design



Explore chairs through the ages Packaging design



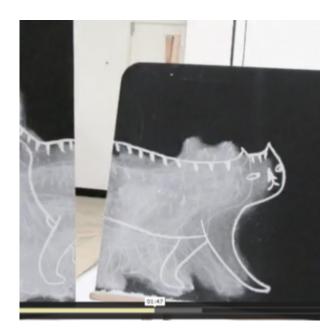
Explore the world of branding and package design

Maps Inspired by Hogwarts

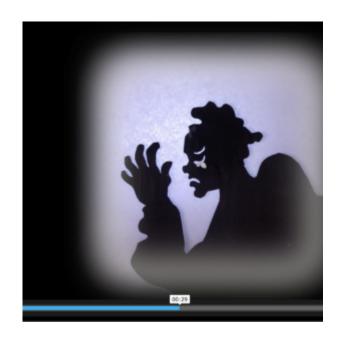


Explore maps inspired by Hogwarts including the Marauder's Map.

Making Drawings Move



Explore moving drawings
Paper Cut Puppets



Explore Paper Cut Puppets
Paper Cut outs



Explore a variety of artist who create paper cut outs

Malaysian shadow puppets

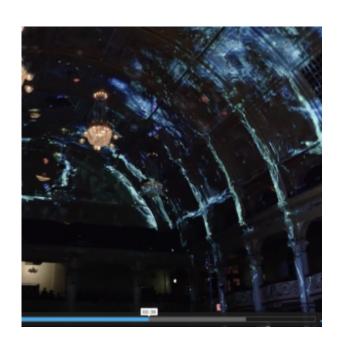


Explore the Malaysian tradition Wayung Kulit

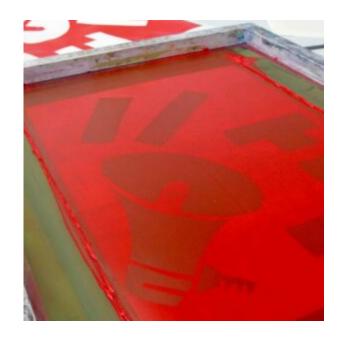
What is Installation Art



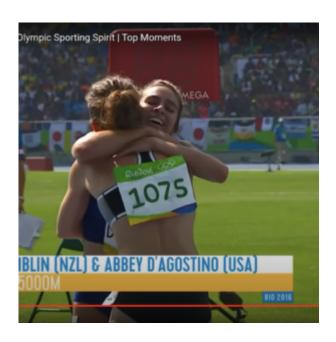
An introduction to Installation Art What is Projection Mapping?



An introduction to projection mapping What is Screenprint?



Introduce children to Screenprint
The Olympic Ethos



Find out about the Olympics Values olympic medals

DALS

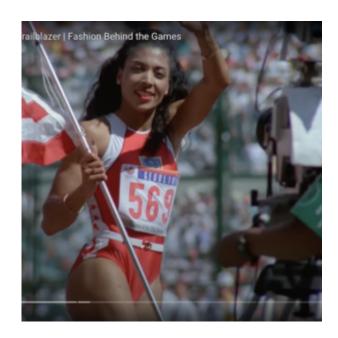


How are medals made?
event mapping



Explore how technology can help with planning large scale events

Olympic Fashion



Explore Olympic fashion through the ages
Trainer design



See how shoe design can impact performance

designing sportswear



How do designers create a team identity with sportswear?