#### Which Artists: Tatyana Antoun

#### By Tatyana Antoun

Tatyana Antoun is a fashion designer from Beirut, Lebanon. Tatyana's collection 'Vamata' was featured in the fashion film Museum Leila. Tatyana's work explores the social restrictions force-fed to the youth in Lebanon in a string of illogical narrow ideals. Her work is heavily influenced by 80's power dressing and the Club Kids of New York during the 90's. Research for her collection takes place in bold and dynamic pop up sketchbooks and experiments with materials. Read on to explore Tatyana's sketchbooks and the process behind her colourful collection. This post may be of interest to students in secondary school with an interest in pursuing a career in fashion, or could be inspiration for anybody wanting to explore the boundaries of what a sketchbook can be.





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"The research phase of a creative project can be presented in many different ways, and can even be an art form in itself. Here, Tatyana demonstrates

how her sketchbooks became a medium through which she expressed her thoughts, refined her ideas and explored materials. We believe sketchbooks to be a powerful tool for children to take ownership of their ideas and travel on their own creative journey, without necessarily knowing the destination. Take a look at our sketchbook journey for more sketchbook inspiration" — Rachel, AccessArt.

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So often, we hear talk of the distinction between science and art, and no more so when teenagers proceed through their education and they are encouraged to choose one route or another. In reality, creative thinking helps scientific understanding and a scientific approach can inform and inspire art.

It's so refreshing to read and see Merlin's experience and understand how she works between these two areas — in her words "mixing subjects, and seeing how they work and intersect is where inventions take place!"

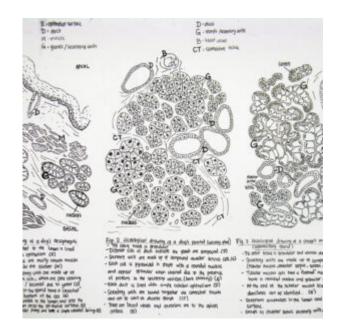
We also love the way her work embraces the *felt* world of being human, as well as the *known* world. We're sure many young people will find Merlin's work of interest and reassuring when they are pressured to choose "art or science".

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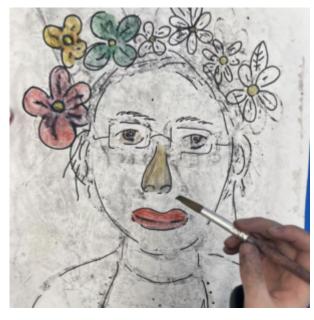
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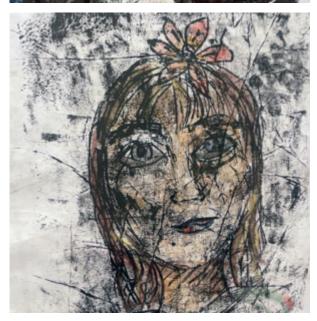














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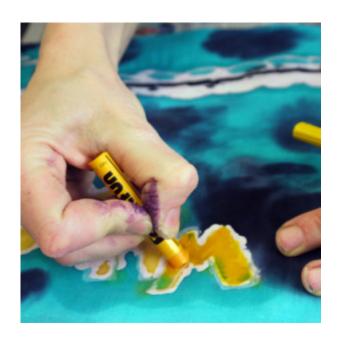
common among women at the time. When we study the work of Artists, it adds a rich context to our experience of their work to consider their personal history, and helps us ask questions like 'why do you think the Artist painted in this way or was inspired by this subject matter?' If you introduce your class to Madge Gill, begin with looking back over her younger life to try and better understand her motivations as an Artist" - Rachel, AccessArt

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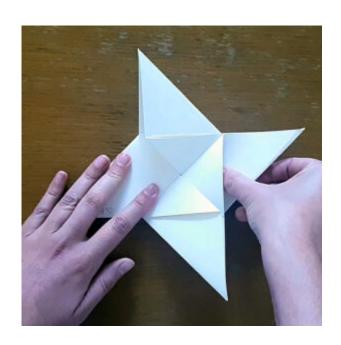
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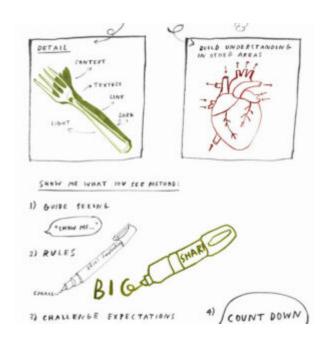
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