

Exploring Portraits with Eleanor Somerset

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In this resource artist Eleanor Somerset shows how she led students in [The Little Art Studio](#), Sheffield, to explore and discover portraiture through various media.

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This resource based workshop took place with a group of seven 9 to 14 year old students, over several weeks, to develop an understanding of portraiture. The project began with the students exploring their own features through mark making with a wide variety of media, collaged images and thumbnails. They also looked at the work of other artists. Finally, the students made two self-portraits of themselves, experimenting with clay relief and lino printing.

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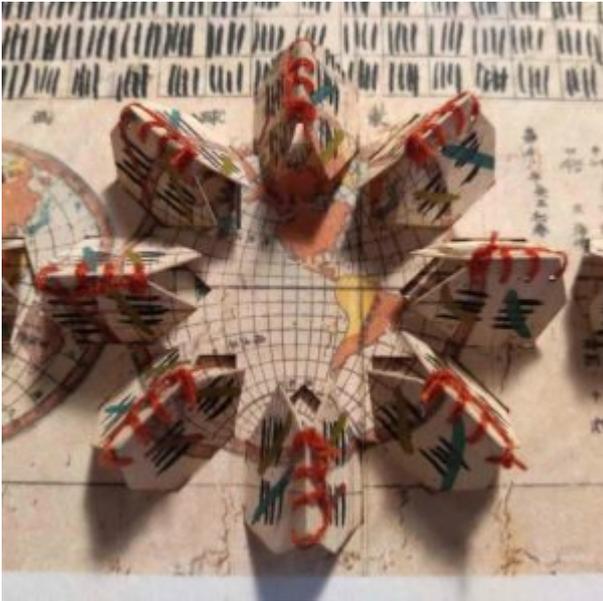
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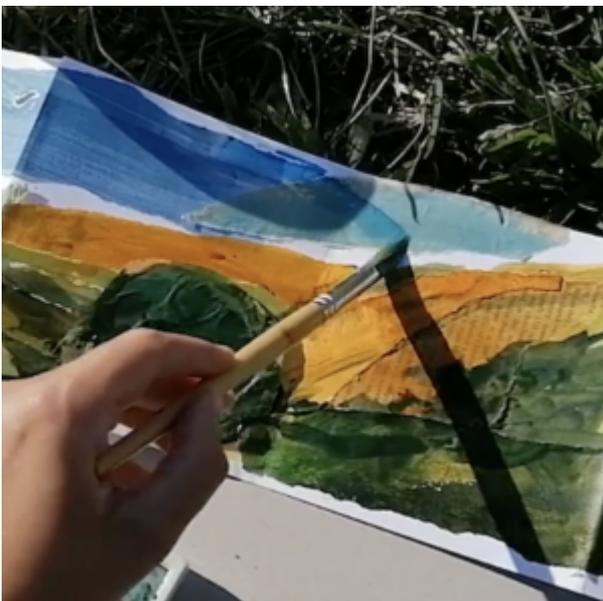
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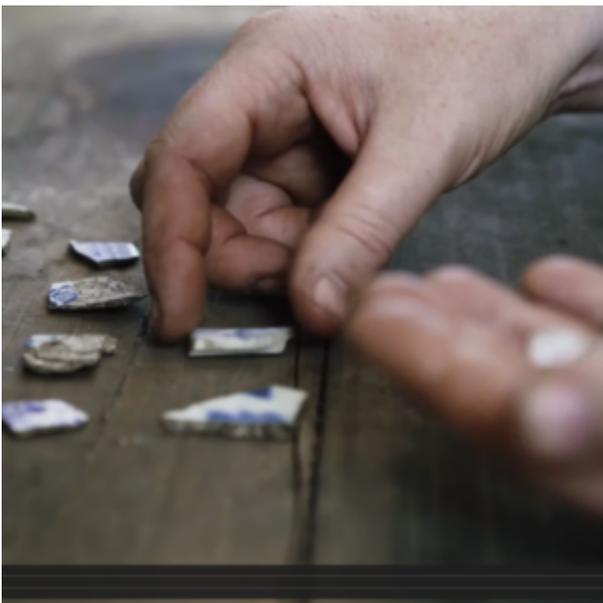
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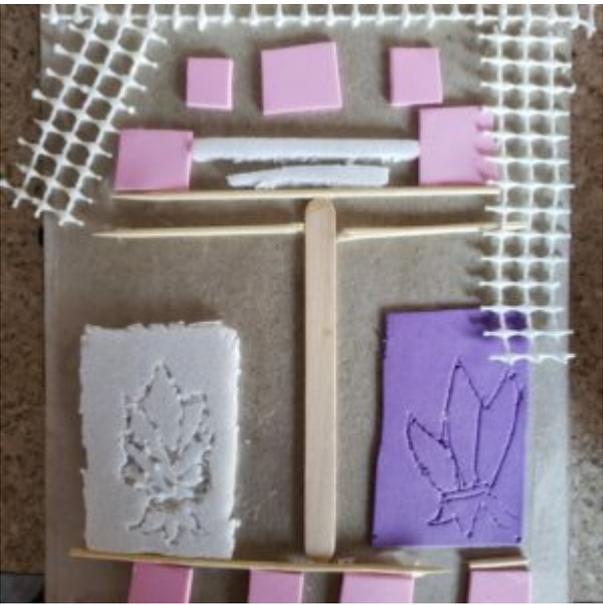
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