# Which Artists: Toby Pritchard

#### By Toby Pritchard

Toby Pritchard is a recent Masters Graduate from Manchester School of Art where he studied Illustration. In this post he shares his creative journey and the development of his practice over the years from 3D Stop Motion Animation to more digital animation. Toby talks about inspirations, from artists like <u>Eyvind Earle</u> to percussion music and explains how <u>anthropomorphism</u> (the attribution of human characteristics or behaviour to a god, animal, or object) has given his work life.



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"It's a really positive thing for an artist to share the concept of the creative journey. At AccessArt we believe journeys are pretty important and we are pleased to show this in action through Toby Pritchard's post. We particularly like the anthropomorphic element, and how this really brings life to Toby's work." – *Rachel, AccessArt* 

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There are so many clues in this resource for teachers. Look out for how Rosie slows down her

whole process into a series of interconnected stages, which weave in and out of each other. These include time for research (collecting and observing), analysing and revisiting, drawing, making and finally documenting." *Paula, AccessArt* 

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