

Introduction to Portraits by Hester Berry

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This resource is one of [four resources](#) created by painter Hester Berry which aim to introduce some basic drawing and painting concepts to primary-aged children and their teachers. [See all the resources in this series here.](#)

Introduction

Drawing and painting faces is notoriously difficult, but there are some simple things that can help you. The trick is to look very hard and draw what you see, rather than what you think you see. For example, lips don't really have an outline, yet everybody puts that in. Really you can see the darkness of the top lip, and the shadow above the chin, which suggests the bottom lip.

To illustrate this point, ask the children to look at the images below and to decide which is the more realistic mouth? Which is the more realistic eye?

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Year three children design and make pop-up puppets inspired by the story in the painting “Penelope with the Suitors,” by Pintoricchio (1509), working with their teacher Jan Miller.

Drawing with Scissors: Screen Printing Workshop in 3 Stages, Inspired by Matisse

Painting a Bluebell Forest in Cyan, Magenta and Process Yellow on a Large Scale

In this project young teenagers were given the opportunity to paint on a larger scale; to explore working big whilst immersing themselves in colour. We were all inspired by the spring!

Students transformed the room into a bluebell forest in cyan, magenta and process yellow Scolaquip acrylic paint. By Sheila Ceccarelli

Withy Butterflies

Art educator Anne-Louise Quinton shares a workshop for making a flock of large, withy butterflies, creating a colourful and dramatic artwork.

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Making Monotypes Inspired by Degas

This resource shares how Edgar Degas made his 'inky drawings,' or monotypes, and how the process of mono-printing can be further explored in the classroom – In collaboration with the Fitzwilliam Museum, Cambridge

Colour Wheel for Infants and Juniors

In this post, artist educator Rosie James, shows her open-ended and experiential approach to introducing the colour wheel to primary aged children throughout the key stages.

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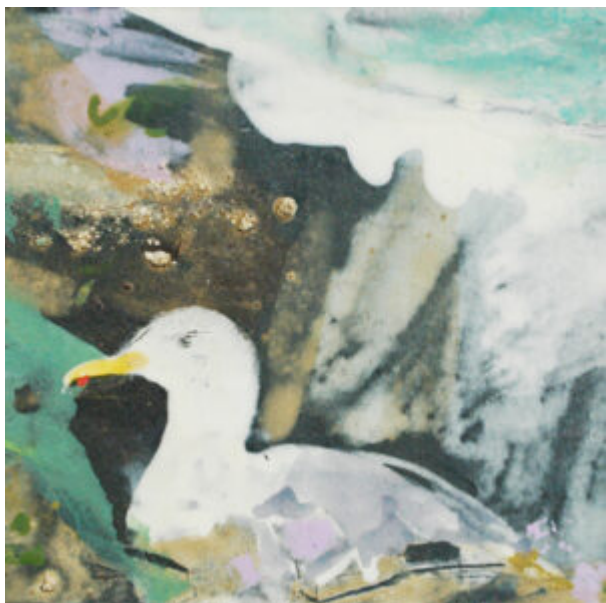
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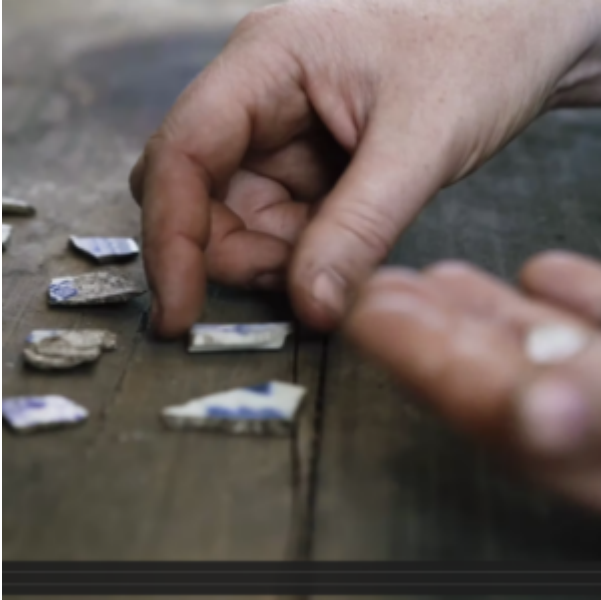
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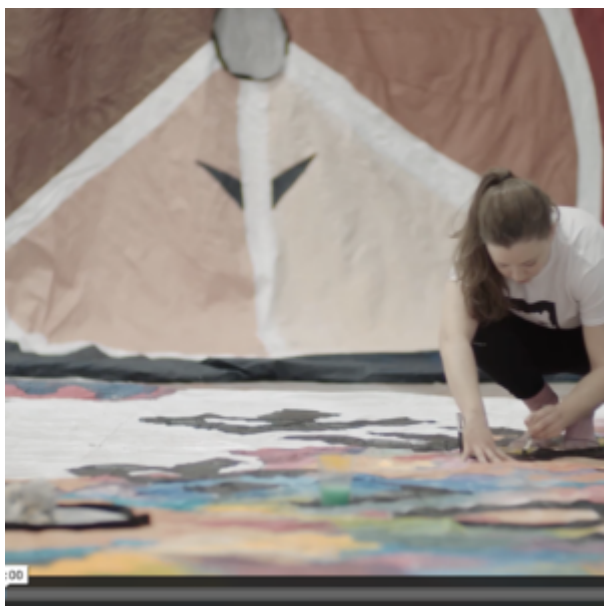


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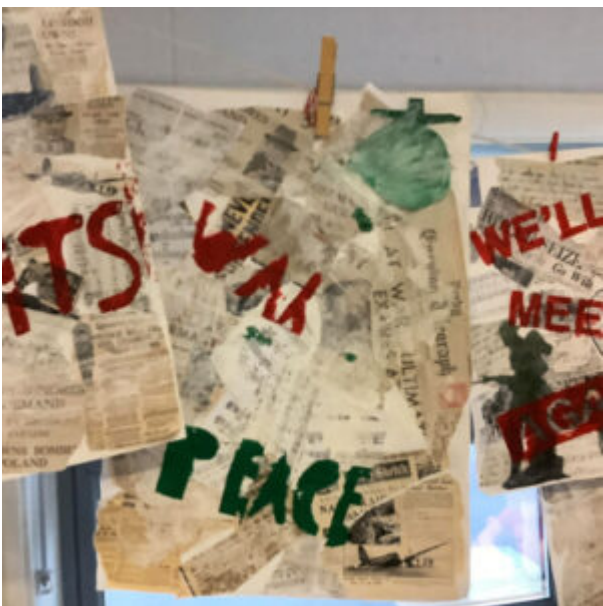
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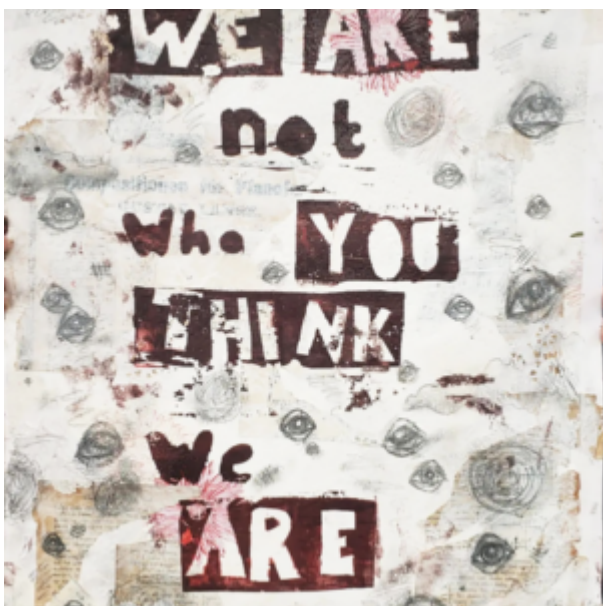
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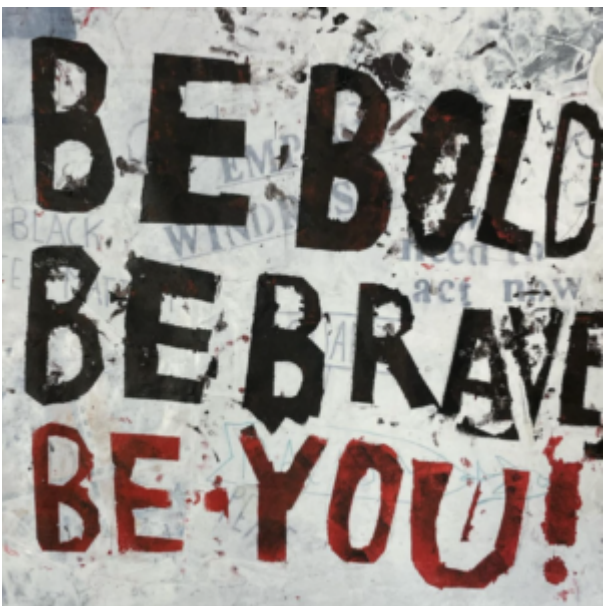
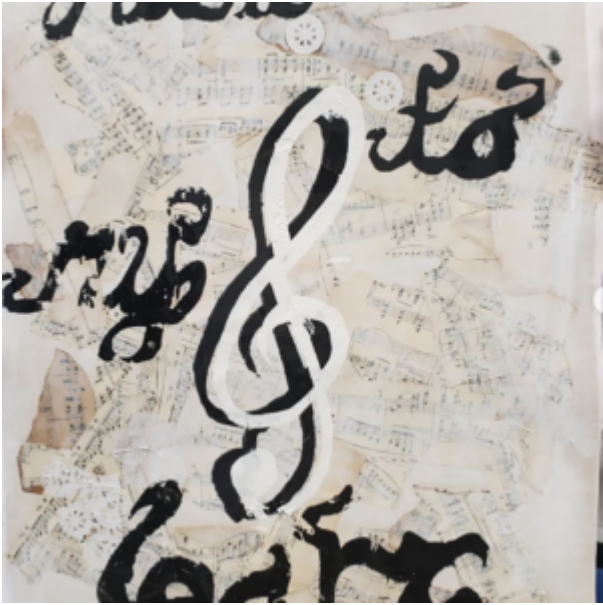
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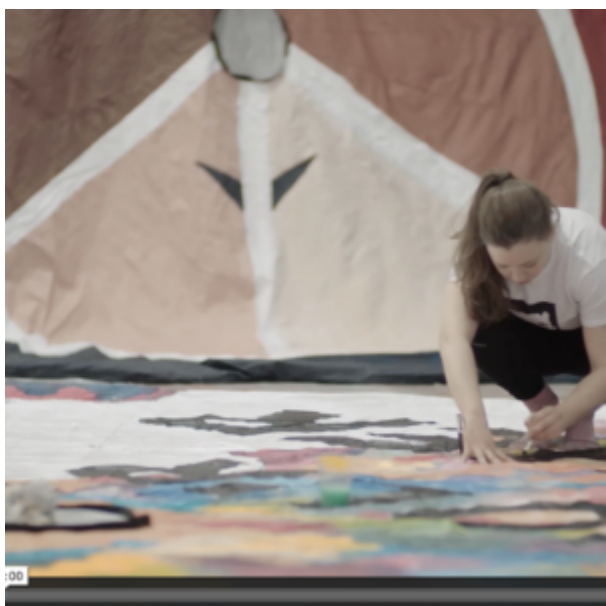
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