Tiny Art Schools: The Children's Art School

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AccessArt is creating a body of work to explore, celebrate and promote the notion of "<u>Tiny Art</u> <u>Schools</u>" across the UK. Tapping into existing practice and innovation, we'll be sharing how artist educators are working with their audiences, using community centres, village halls, and private studio spaces as art education labs, and building creative and economic communities of all sizes. In this series of case studies, we'll be showcasing a range of Tiny Art Schools, their different approaches, and what they offer the communities they're in.

The Children's Art School

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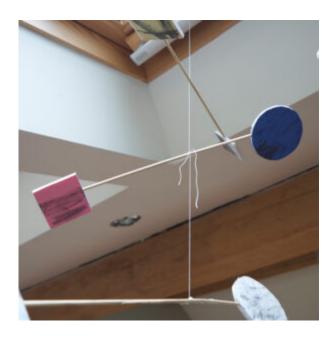
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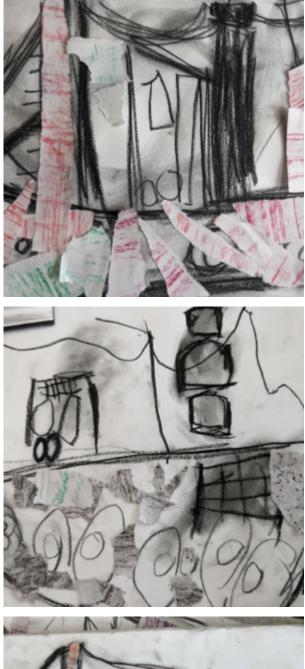


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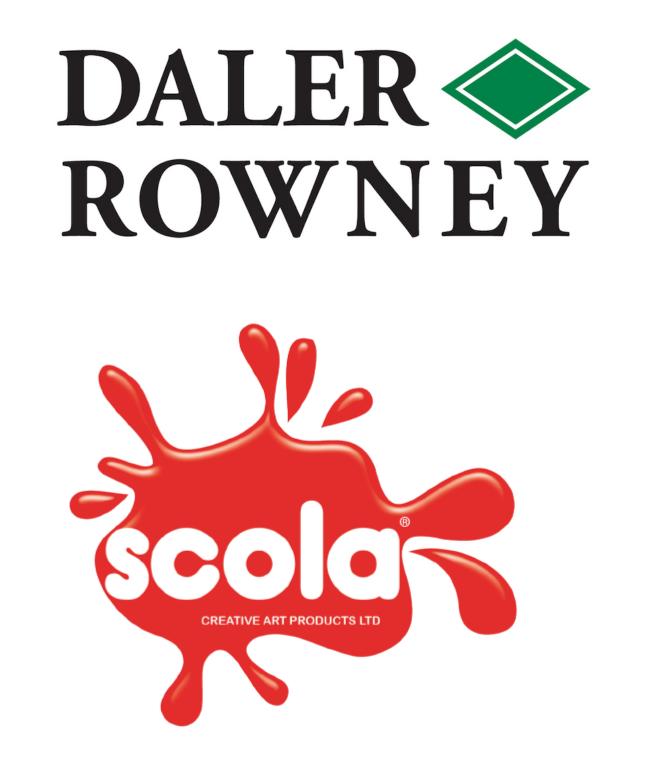
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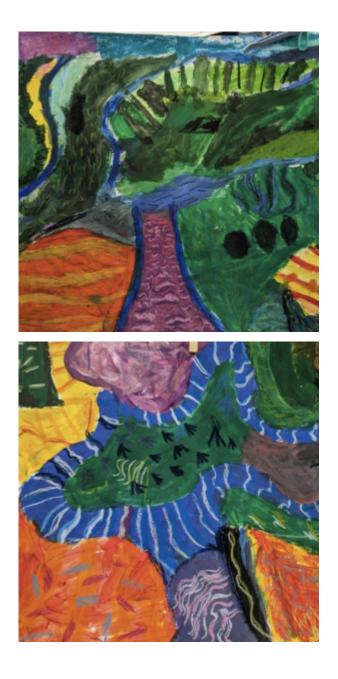


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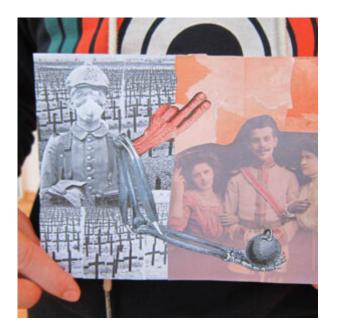
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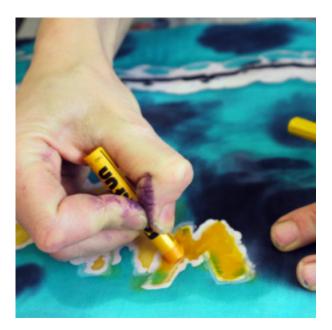
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"The life of Madge Gill that Sophie Dutton recounts here gives us real insight into the challenges that Madge Gill experienced, and how these challenges would have been common among women at the time. When we study the work of Artists, it adds a rich 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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