

Painted Clay

A resource inspired by the Japanese art of dorondongo, where mud and dirt are shaped and buffed into highly polished spheres.

Abstract Face – Relief Sculptures

In this construction and painting resource, students make an abstract face, relief sculpture from cardboard, adding colour, texture and metal findings. This resource was inspired by the work of Kimmy Cantrell, a self-taught contemporary artist who uses asymmetry to question long-established views around beauty.

Anthropomorphic Animal Paintings

This painting activity looks at giving human characteristics to animals. Anthropomorphism is making something which is not human, more human like for e.g Miss Piggy, Mickey Mouse and the characters created by Beatrix Potter. This activity was inspired by the paintings of two contemporary artists who use anthropomorphism in their work, Ken Hoffman and Svjetlan Junakovic.

‘Painting’ with Plasticine

In this resource, students create an A4 plasticine painting on mountboard, in a theme of their choice. The artwork is completed with a painted border using water based paints. This project took six, one hour sessions to complete but if you can't allocate that amount of time, reduce the size of the mountboard to A5 or smaller.

David Parr House – “What’s Your Space?”

In celebration of the opening of David Parr House in Cambridge, this resource aims to inspire children aged 8 to 12 to explore design.

Tall Skinny

Teenagers working with Melissa Pierce Murray used thin wire to make works with a strong presence. They began by looking at examples of works by two contemporary women artists including Phyllida Barlow and Rebecca Warren.

The Making of: “Everyone Else is Better Than Me!”

Simple animation technique using a vegetable, but a great example of how a clear message and thoughtful animation can communicate emotion.

All That Glitters...

Teacher and artist Jan Miller shows year three pupils works by the artist Andrew Logan. Pupils then have fun playing with materials that glitter and sparkle, developing their design and making skills to produce personalised brooches, decorative images of celebrities and gorgeous treasure glitter boards. Finally, they explore portrait drawing, creating a sparkly ‘selfie’!

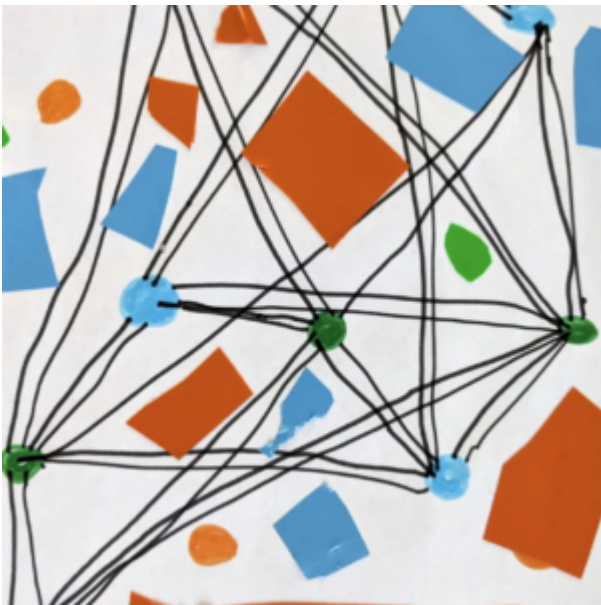
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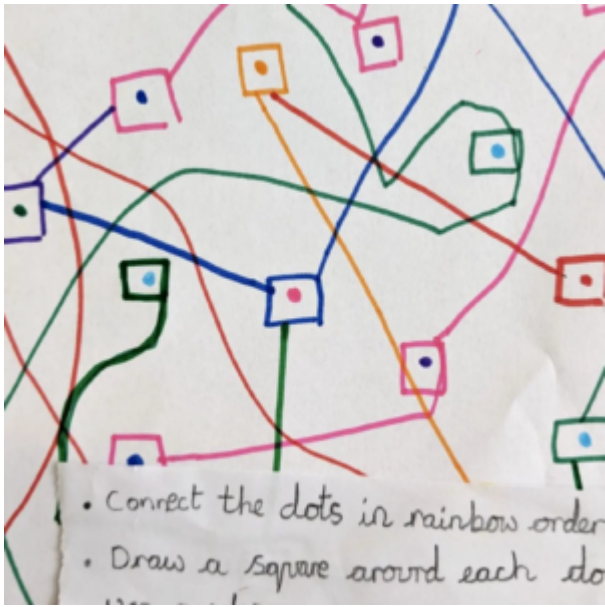
As part of the teenage #BeACreativeProducer Project, we have been exploring how we can trust and use “instinct” in relation to finding starting points to generate ideas and enable creativity. In this post, AccessArt Young Artist Alex Tunstall

shares what happened when he received a “box” of physical stimuli to inspire an aural response.

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Animating Hands!

Using image frames from video to create quirky animations of hands moving!

Japanese Sushi Inspires

Our Art

Jan Miller leads a project enabling children to explore materials and learn from another culture by creating colourful, large-scale mixed media drawings inspired by food from Japan. This activity is suitable for older KS1 and KS2 children.

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Japan: Making Sushi –

Recycled Style!

Inspired by research into Japanese culture, children explored the potential and limitations of paper and recycled materials, learning through play and experimentation to make 3D forms. The outcomes of this process were used to inform work created in a second medium of clay, using kitchen equipment to shape the clay and add textures.

The Making of: “Being Creative Helps You Tackle Challenges in All Areas of Life”

Meet Bob! A cloth character with a bendy wire armature to animate in front of a green screen.

The Making Of: The Shower Scene

See how we made a small clip from the #BeACreativeProducer Project in which teenagers made the props, animated the scene, and then composed music.

Collaborative Design: Making Dungarees!

Collaborative sewing project which aimed to help builds a sense of “team” in teenager animators. Connecting head, heart and mind in this challenge helped creative juices flow in other areas of the #BeACreativeProducer animation project.

Pimp That Snack! Large Scale Food Sculptures

Art educator Anne-Louise Quinton shares a process for making super sized food sculptures from everyday materials, inspired by the work of Claes Oldenburg. This is a fun and challenging sculpture project for Year Nine and above.

Making Papier-Mache Marionette Puppets Inspired by Characters in a Historical Painting

Year three children make marionette puppets to tell the story illustrated in of “Penelope with the Suitors” by Pintoricchio in 1509 with their teacher Jan Miller.

Pop-Up Puppets Inspired by a Historical Painting

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.