Workshop Season in Review

By <u>Mostyn de Beer</u>

Mostyn de Beer is an experienced artist educator based in Sweden. Mostyn is especially interested in environmental art; his practice investigates links between creating art and environmental education. In this post, Mostyn looks back over the workshops he facilitated in 2021 and reflects on the artwork created and the playful moments shared with the children.

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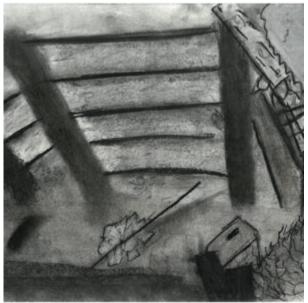
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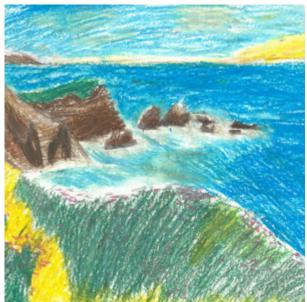
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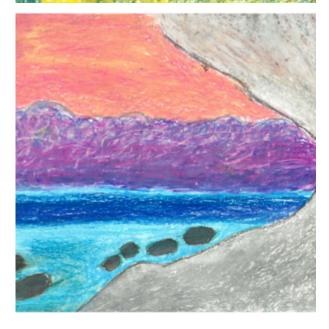












Green Thumbs

Which Artists: Andrew Amondson

Which Artists: Tatyana Antoun

What We Like About This Resource....

"The research phase of a creative project can be presented in many different ways, and can even be an art form in itself. Here, Tatyana demonstrates how her sketchbooks became a medium through which she expressed her thoughts, refined her ideas and explored materials. We believe sketchbooks to be a powerful tool for children to take ownership of their ideas and travel on their own creative journey, without necessarily knowing the

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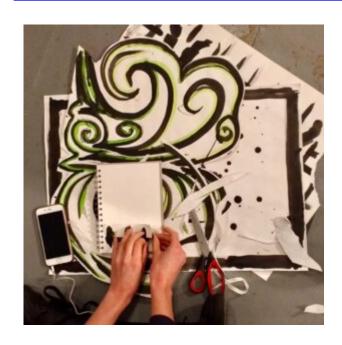


Sketchbooks and Thinking Skills



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Which Artists: Merlin Evans

What We Love About This Resource...

So often, we hear talk of the distinction between science and art, and no more so when teenagers proceed through their education and they are encouraged to choose one route or another. In reality, creative thinking helps scientific

understanding and a scientific approach can inform and inspire art.

It's so refreshing to read and see Merlin's experience and understand how she works between these two areas — in her words "mixing subjects, and seeing how they work and intersect is where inventions take place!"

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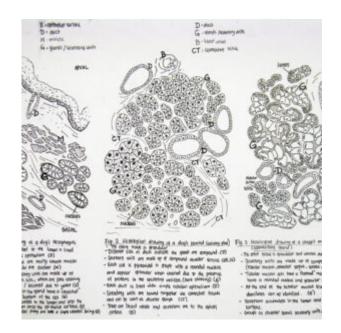
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Drawing as a Way of Understanding



Fay Penrose, Lecturer in Veterinary Biology at The Veterinary School at University of Liverpool, who shares her work in introducing drawing as a way of checking understanding of complex subjects. This methodology would be very transferable to a number of subject areas in schools.

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Resource by Andrea Butler sharing her process of making drawings whilst walking. "I wanted to develop a way of drawing that captured my sensory and visual experiences as I moved through the landscape."

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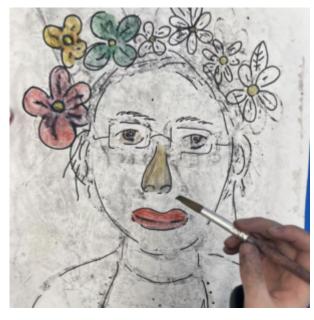
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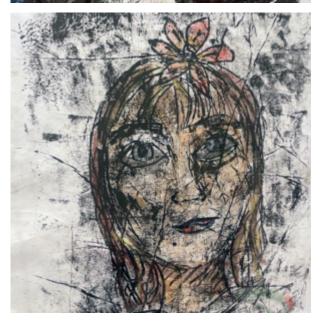














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