

How to Measure Proportions in Life Drawing

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You've seen photos of traditional life drawing classes of people holding up a pencil in front of them and squinting with one eye. They are using the pencil to 'measure' and plot the figure onto the paper in proportion, and to get the angles of the figure's pose right too.

In this week's Experimental Drawing Class, teenagers experimented with measuring using their pencils to draw the figure in proportion.

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Measuring using a pencil as a guide

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