

Exercise for Making an Artist's Book or Sketchbook

Making a beautiful, thoughtful, artist's book via a single sheet of paper. [Full AccessArt Members Only](#)

Warm-up Drawing Exercise: Making Stronger Drawings

Exercise to help children make stronger, more powerful drawings. [Full AccessArt Members Only](#)

Quick Drawing Exercise: Helping Children to Draw Larger!

Simple exercise to help children increase the scale of their drawing. [Full AccessArt Members Only](#)

Simple Drawing Exercise: Drawing to the Slow Rhythm of a Metronome

Making slow, careful drawings of paper, using an iPhone to set the rhythm!

Swoop

What We Like About This Resource...

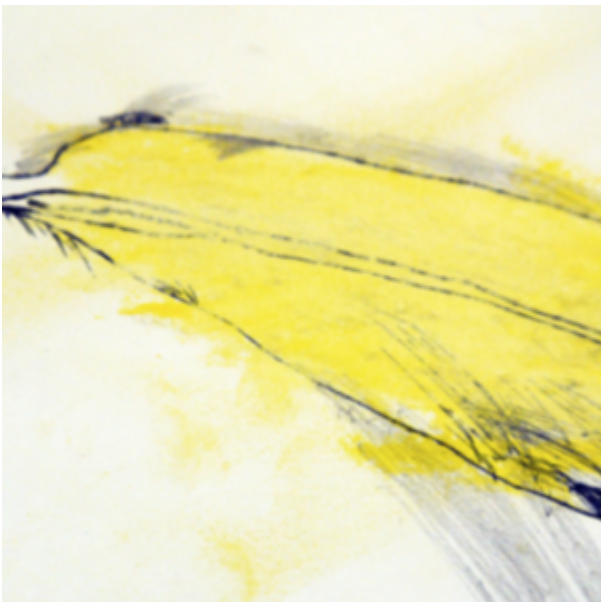
“Rachel has contributed some great resources to AccessArt and we really like how this idea captures the concept of ‘returning’ – something that school children will have processed over the past year. We love how this activity encourages hands to feel and move paint about freely – to experience its qualities and tactile nature. You could try this in your setting using different migratory birds such as Ospreys or Swifts as inspiration, with the children looking at images of these birds before trying some observational drawing.” – *Rachel, AccessArt.*

You May Also Like...

Visual Arts Planning Collections: Birds



Drawing Feathers



Creating Decorative Designs From Birds



Making Batik Textiles in the Classroom

Simple method adapted for classroom use – for all ages.

After School Art Club: Drawing, Collage, Painting and Sculpture. (Part 1)

An after school art club exploring drawing, sculpture and collage.

Drawing and Collaging Fish and Seeing Composition

Decision making in drawing: Enabling children to enjoy making informed choices in their artwork. [Full AccessArt Members Only](#)

Drawing Fish with Pen, Pencil and Watercolour

Using a variety of materials and drawing exercises to help focus our observation skills. [Full AccessArt Members Only](#)

The Electric Shades of Coloured Biro

Using colourful biro pens to make translucent drawings. [Full AccessArt Members Only](#)

Drawing Glass: Exploring a Still Life with Tracing Paper

Using tracing paper to help children explore the translucency of glass, composition and aerial perspective. [Full AccessArt Members Only](#)

Tackling Still Life for Children Part 2 – Building a Drawing from the Ground Up

Using shadows to help “ground” still life objects. Part 2 of a 3 stage exploration of still life for children. [Full AccessArt Members Only](#)

Tackling Still Life for Children Part 1 – Continuous Line Drawing

First of a 3-stage exploration of still life with children. [Full AccessArt Members Only](#)

Drawing Together, Working on Shared Drawings & Being Inspired by Each Other

Making shared drawings with young children – a productive exercise which helps children understand how we feed and inspire each other. [Full AccessArt Members Only](#)

Simple Drawings on Brown Paper: Letting Form and Colour Coexist

Beautiful and simple drawings made on brown paper, as a result of “rushing”! [Full AccessArt Members Only](#)

Pegged out on the Washing Line: Drawing Clothes and thinking about Texture and

Gravity

Exploring how to express a sense of gravity and texture by drawing clothes pegged on a washing line. [Full AccessArt Members Only](#)

“Feely Drawings” or Drawing by Touch – a 5 minute drawing exercise

Exploring with children how they can use a sense of touch to inform their drawings. [Full AccessArt Members Only](#)

Developing a Drawing Through Exploration of Drawing Media

How we can encourage children to develop their drawing approach through offering a variety of media and encouraging reflection. [Full AccessArt Members Only](#)

Subject Matter for Drawing



Potatoes, Playmobil and Henry Moore: Making Drawings with Mass



Introducing Foreshortening and Creating Volume



Drawing Feathers: Perfect for Mark Making



Drawing Pouring Water



[Drawings of Toys Inspired by Gwen John's Cats!](#)



[Exploring Ink: Making Drawing Tools and Mark Making](#)



[Drawing Shiny Cutlery](#)



[Drawing Insects in Black Pen](#)

Beginner's Guide to Drawing

Materials

Introduction to some of the basic drawing materials and how to get the most out of them. Contains links too to other resources.