Talking Points: Yinka Iloria and Colourful Spaces

A collection of sources and imagery to explore the colourful spaces created by Yinka Ilori.

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Yinka Ilori

Yinka Ilori is a multidisciplinary artist and designer with a bold bright visual language influenced by his British-Nigerian heritage. Three components that feature heavily in Yinka's work are pattern, colour and storytelling.

Yinka uses his crafts as a way to communicate Nigerian parables and verbal traditions.

His work is described as a fusion between contemporary design and Nigerian tradition.

Explore some more colour spaces here.

Watch the videos below to find out about Yinka's designs for a basketball court in Canary Warf.

Questions to Ask Children

How does the basketball court look in its surroundings?

How does this basketball court vary from a normal basketball court?

Can you think of any other sports courts that could be made more exciting? How might you do this?

Watch the video below to find out about the Laundrette project.

Questions to Ask Children

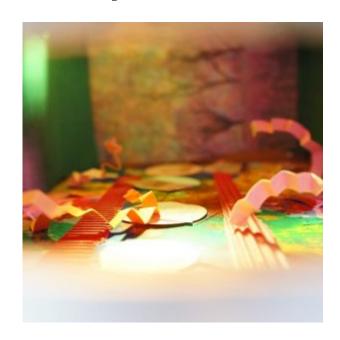
How did Yinka and the children improve upon the original Laundrette?

How do you think it would feel to play in that space?

Can you think of other boring spaces that you would like to redesign and make more fun and colourful?

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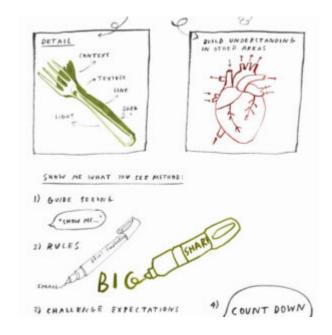
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using sketchbooks to make visual notes



Find out how pupils can respond to artists work in sketchbooks

Show me what you see



Enable close looking and drawing with this exercise