

WHALE WORKSHOPS

Street Arts 2020



SHADOW ART

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Hi all,

Welcome to another Street Arts @ home session. Today we will be looking at how simple SHADOWS can be used to inspire our own lockdown art projects

Lets Get Ready

For these we will be needing a few things from the list

AND...

Shadows! (ofourse)

While any shadow will do, its worth LOOKING for exciting ones, intersting ones with strange shapes, pointy bits, ones that look like other things - shadows that catch your eye.*

Walk around the whole of your house/flat looking at the floor, ceiling, on tables - anywhere! Couldn't find any? then...

Make Your Own

Make your own shadows by shining torch or a lamp at toys, plants, things from around the house. How crazy can you get them ?

MATERIALS

- A LIGHT SOURCE
EG. SUN FROM A WINDOW
A LAMP, TORCH
- PAPER
- PENS
- SCISSORS
- TAPE



* I FOUND SOME COOL ONES IN MY KITCHEN

Ok so now we found some really smart shadows it's time to

DRAW THEM

To do this, simply trace round the shadows shape. If it's in a weird place like on the wall, you may need to tape your paper to keep it in place. You can do more than one drawing on the same page ofcourse. Here are a few suggestions to make crazy layered drawings...

- **Warp and Distort the Shadows**

Pick up the the object making the shadow, rotate it, move it back and forward. Watch the shape of the shadow changes. Can't do that? try moving the paper instead! Draw all the different changes.

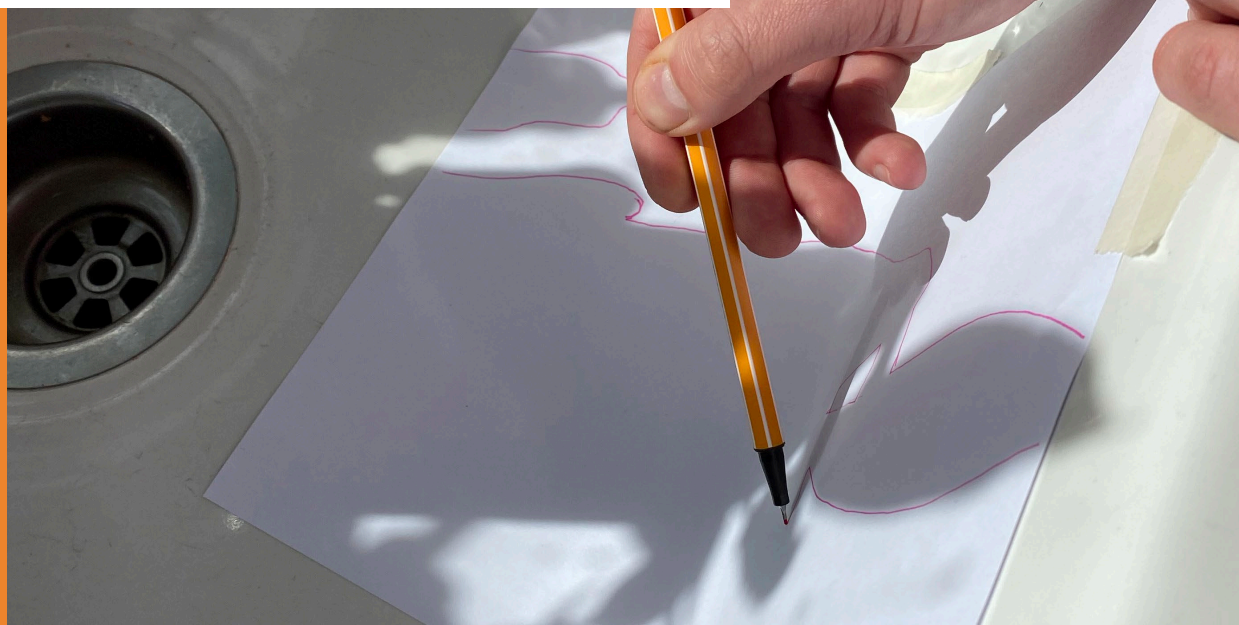
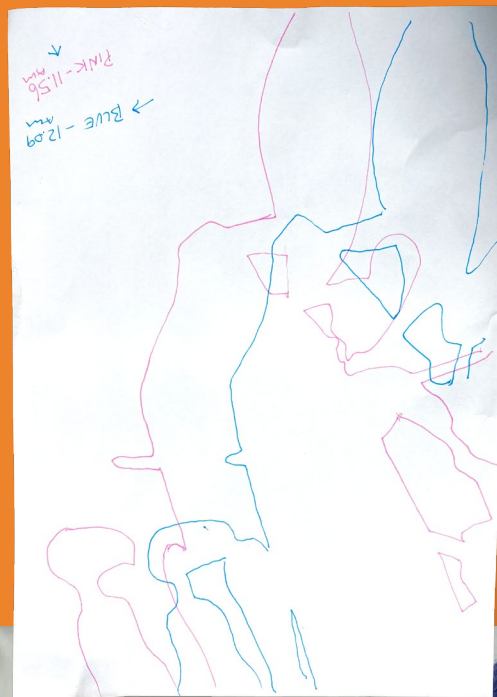
- **Recording a place or Journey**

Go on a journey recording all the different shadows you see on the same bit of paper - you could focus on your bedroom or what you see on a walk

- **Moving Shadows**

You may notice that by the time you have finished drawing the shadows have moved.

In the drawing above I drew around the shadow, left it for a while and came back and drew around the new shadow postion to record how it moved



What to do with our shadows drawings?

TRY THIS

- **Colour Them In**

I took the drawing I did on the previous page of the MOVING SHADOWS and coloured it in. For each shape I used a different colour. This creates a cool abstract picture!

- **Collage**

Draw your shadows onto coloured, paper, wrapping paper, old newspapers, old drawings - whatever you like. Then cut them out to make a collage.



or...

MIX IT UP

Shadow Sculpting

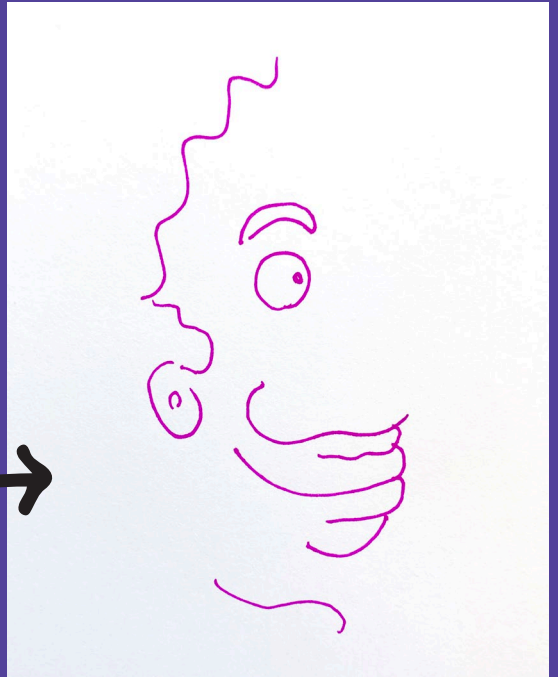
flip the process around by trying to sculpt the shape of shadow you want.

1 - Position a lamp or torch* that will cast a shadow on a flat area to work, such as a desk. You may need something (or someone) to hold it in place

2 - Place card, plastacine or objects in front of the light to create the shadows you want. I used plasacine as it is a little easier. This can be quite tricky, so don't give up if you are finding it hard to get what you want!

Secret Shadow Doodle

Draw INSIDE the shadow to create a secret picture that can only be completed by also adding an object's shadow.



* I USED MY PHONE
TORCH LEANING AGAINST
A MUG

HAVE FUN
+
SEE YOU
NEXT
TIME!