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Minute
Activity
For
Everyone

Concept Expression – Contemporary Sculptures

We are putting our sculpting skills to use! Time to get creative, using objects that you can find around your house and transform them into a special piece of art.

When the word sculpture comes to mind you might think of a classical Greek sculpture made of marble. Or perhaps, your thoughts wander to a colourful mask. Although, these can be fun to make, you might be surprised at how few materials you really need to create something unique.

Examples of Artists to Search Online

Ai Weiwei - A great example of making something unique from common items and few materials. Many of his sculptures are created using found objects that are then organized in an intentional way, to have a deeper meaning.



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Tara Donovan - is an American sculptor who lives and works in Brooklyn, New York. Her large-scale installations, sculptures, drawings, and prints utilize everyday objects to explore the transformative effects of accumulation and aggregation.

Let's Get Started

Take 10 minutes to look around your house and find three or more objects that appeal to you. You may use as much of the objects as you like. For example, more than one cup, or several rocks, and only one ribbon etc.

Design your concept. Decide on what idea you want to convey through your objects, design your plan on how they need to be arranged, modified, or altered to achieve your finished idea. Once you are done, check to see how your idea is being interpreted. Ask for a sibling or parent's input. How does your sculpture speak to them, what is the message they take, how do they feel when experiencing the sculpture? Art is a great inroad for deeper conversations on the expression of concepts and ideas. Let your sculpture be a statement of your unique perspective on an issue or idea.

PURPOSE

Discover new uses for items in your home and use them as elements in your own piece of art expression. Your sculpture will help you to see the items in a new way, and help you to appreciate their value, all the while sharing your creativity and perspective.

Look Up Her work using the following items:

- Styrofoam cups
- Pencils
- Chewing Gum