



Your Activity

"New Nature" Inventive Plant Drawings

Using the elements of color, line, and shapes — both geometric and organic — create your own inventive drawing of a "new" species of plant. Look for inspiration in symmetrical growth patterns, in the geometric and organic shapes that you can see while you are drawing. Add collaged elements for more color and dramatic shapes and patterns.

Art Materials :

White paper, crayons, colored pencils, colorful markers, recycled or patterned papers, glue stick, scissors and geometric shape stencils (optional).

Guidelines:

DRAW: Draw a simple "contour" line while looking closely at a singular plant, or part of a plant like a leaf, flower, or a printed picture of a plant. You can also place the leaf or singular plant stalk on the paper and trace its outer outline on your page. Look for "growth patterns" in the organic and symmetrical shapes contained in the veins of the leaf or the centers of floral forms.

CUT-OUT and COLLAGE: Cut out small geometric colorful shapes and patterns. Collage and glue them onto your "invented" plant species drawing.

CONSIDER: Consider adding more drawings of invented plants to the rest of your page creating several variations of your "invented floral species" in a garden setting. Fold your paper in half and making it into a greeting card format that displays your invented flower species on the cover.

If you want to share your art please email a picture of it to sfishel@mpaart.org

Examples

