Arty Camp At Home

At Home With SICM is now celebrating our summer camps! This week we were inspired by our Arty camp. We hope your family enjoys doing these outdoor activities together!

Design
“Cardboard City Sculpture”
Based on a poem by Alberto Rios
https://poets.org/poem/cities-inside-us
Materials: Cardboard, scissors, markers/crayons, glue, construction paper or magazine

Process:
1. Imagine a city in your mind. What would the buildings look like? What shapes would you see? Cut a lot different shapes out of your cardboard. You’ll need a large piece of cardboard to act as your base where you will glue down all the pieces you have cut.

2. Plan out what your city will look like by arranging the shapes you’ve cut out on your base. Then glue down the pieces when you are happy with the design. You can also cut smaller shapes to layer on top of larger shapes to add more details like doors, windows, or roofs.

3. Color your buildings however you like. You can use crayons and markers to color entire buildings or just small details. You can also cut out shapes from construction paper or magazines to add even more details to your cardboard sculpture.

Create
Dance Party Collage Inspired by Faith Ringgold’s “Groovin’ High” (1996)
Suggested Materials: Magazines, glue/tape, crayons, markers, color pencils, paper, scissors

Process:
1. Imagine a fun place to have a dance party and then draw your dance floor! This will be the background for your magazine dancers you will cut out later. You can use crayons, color pencils, or markers. Make sure to leave the edges of your paper blank so we can add a frame at the end.

2. Look through magazines and pick out different people you would like to cut out and add to your dance party. Make sure to use pictures showing a person’s whole body. Once cut, arrange your dancers on the page to see how they fit together.

3. Glue/Tape the people onto the middle of your drawn dance floor. You can overlap the people to make the dance floor look nice and crowded. You can create depth by putting the larger people in the front and smaller ones in the back. You can also add extra decoration by coloring over some of the dancers.

4. Framing your artwork is the final step! Look through the magazines once again and find areas of different colors you like. You can see if they would look nice with your picture by putting the magazine next to your collage. Next, cut the magazine pages you like into squares and glue/tape them all around the boarder of your picture to look like a frame.

Scavenger Hunt
Warm and Cool Colors!
The colors of the rainbow are ordered red, orange, yellow, green, blue, and purple. In art colors can show feelings. Warm colors like red, orange, yellow and pink can make people think about happy or hot things. Cool colors like green, blue, and purple can make people think about relaxing or cooler things.

Head outside and count all the warm and cool colors you see!

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