

Composition

Composition in art is a term which means the arrangement of subject matter in a piece of art, such as a painting, drawing, or sculpture.

Artists plan composition to make sure things look right where they are.

Scale

Scale means the overall physical size of an artwork or objects in the artwork.

We always relate scale to the size of the human body - how big or small the piece is in relation to us. An artist may decide to create large scale or small scale piece of work.



Year 2 Art Knowledge Organiser

Autumn 1: Explore and Draw

Learning Intentions:

- I have seen how some artists explore the world around them to help them find inspiration.
- I can explore my local environment and collect things which catch my eye.
- I can explore composition by arranging the things that I have collected.
- I can talk about what I collected, and how and why I arranged the things I collected.
- I can take photographs of my artwork and I can think about focus and light.
- I can use careful looking to practice observational drawing, and I can focus for 5 or 10 minutes.
- I can hold an object and I can make a drawing thinking about the way the object *feels*.
- I can combine different drawing media such as wax resist and watercolour, graphite and water, wax crayon and pencil in my observational drawings.
- I can work small in my sketchbook and on large sheets of paper, exploring how I can use line, shape and colour in my work.
- I can cut out and collage to explore composition.
- I can talk about the work I have made with my classmates, sharing the things I thought were successful and thinking about things I would like to try again.



Project: Wax resist autumn leaves

We will begin with observational drawing techniques, carefully drawing the objects you collected from your environment as subject matter. We will use the use wax crayons and paint to replicate the colours and patterns of autumn leaves. We will look carefully at the scale of our leaves and when they are completed, we will create a composition of our leaves inspired by fallen leaves on the ground in autumn.

Focus Artist: Andy Goldsworthy

Andy Goldsworthy is a British artist who lives in Scotland. He's known for his use of natural materials.

Throughout his life, he's made artwork and sculptures from natural resources. He's won several awards and is an important figure in the world of environmental art.

