



welcome

HELLO

LET'S TAKE UP SPACE

AND MAKE SOME ART

TOGETHER!

This is a resource created for and with families at Dulwich Picture Gallery.

A group of local families spent six Sundays together making art, getting messy and talking about the paintings in the gallery on our own terms.

Why don't you join us?

Let's take over the gallery and use it!

Let's make an impression!

In this book you'll find lots of little quick tasks to do in the gallery and bigger tasks to do later at home. Help yourself to paper and pencils from the gallery's family trolley to do the little tasks with. Maybe try and make up your own tasks to do together too!

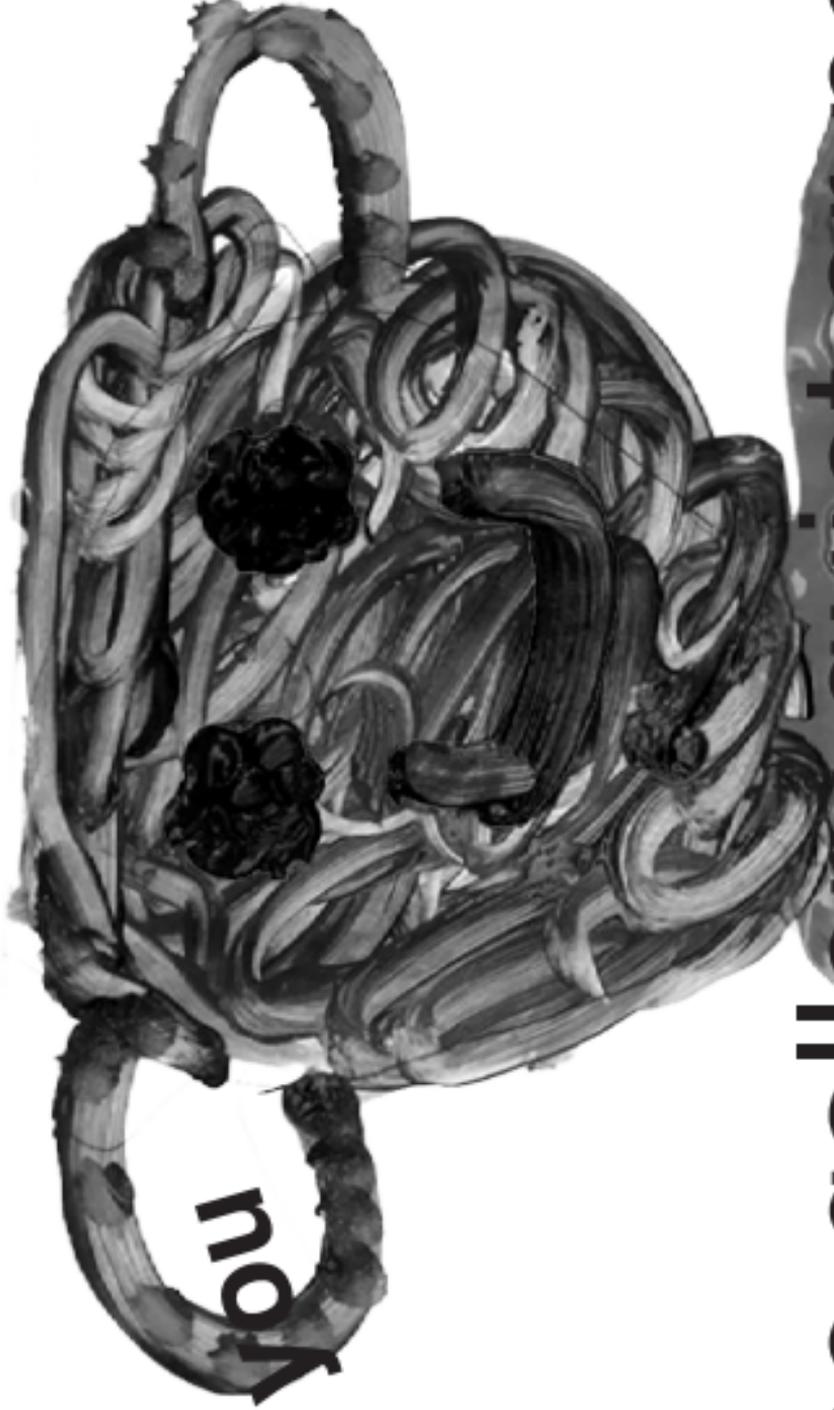
What can you see?



Let's start our adventure by looking at and listening to the gallery building.

What can you

hear?



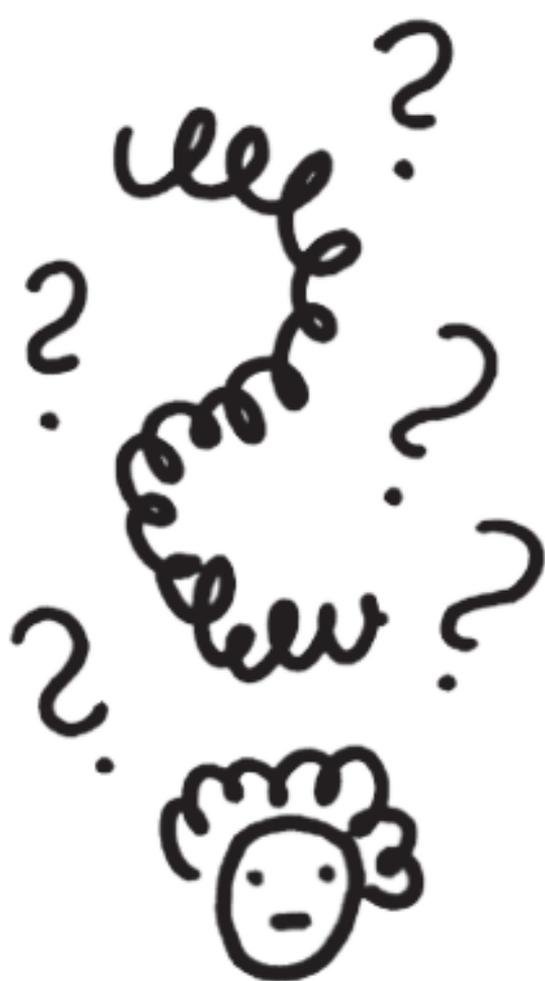
Is the gallery quiet or noisy?



Choose a painting and tell your group what you think of it with one sound



Can you find the
only painting made
by a woman in
the gallery?



What is her name? Say
it out loud when you
find her painting! Then
find another person who
does not know about
her and share your new
discovery!"



CAN YOU FIND HER
PAINTING?

Everybody
can look at
paintings
and have
an
opinion



• It's big!
THIS IS EXCITING

• All the babies
and women
are naked?!

GREAT DETAILS

• I like the
colours

THIS WAS
PAINTED A
LONG TIME
AGO

• There are
no black
people

What can you see?

What do we think is going on here?

Who might have painted these paintings?

What else can you see?

QUESTIONS

Do you like this painting?

When do you think these paintings were made?

You don't have to!

Who were these paintings made for?

What do you see that makes you think that?

Is there anyone you can't see in these paintings?

NOW MOVE ON

LET'S

TO LOOK AT

PAINTINGS

YOU CAN ASK THE
SAME QUESTIONS
WE DID OR ASK SOME
NEW ONES THAT
YOU'VE COME UP WITH!

HOW MUCH
does it cost to make a painting?

If you made a painting what story would it tell?

ARE THERE PEOPLE OR STORIES MISSING FROM THIS GALLERY?
AND HOW DO WE CHANGE THIS?

Can only rich people have their picture painted?

Who chooses which
paintings get to go
in galleries?

Quiz

Can you see anybody
who looks like you in the
paintings?



Yes

No

Maybe



Is there anybody who
looks like you in the
gallery?



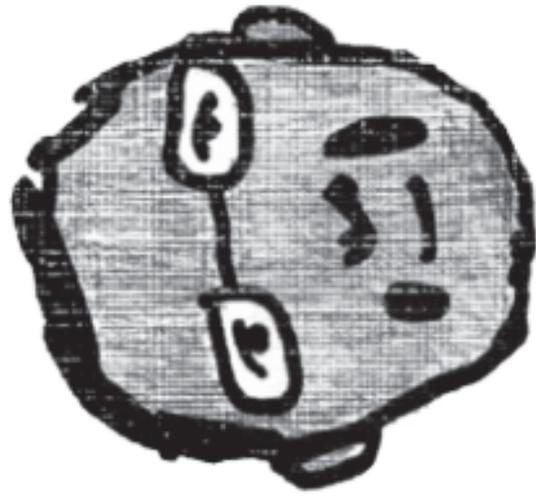
Yes

No

Maybe



Let's change this with
some little and big
tasks!



Lubaina Himid

“I need to be able to see myself.
I need to make paintings that feel like what
it means to be me. We need to feel we
belong in those shared spaces.”

Paintings with only one person in them are called portraits



Paintings with only one person in them are called portraits. We can make sure lots of different people are seen in galleries by inviting everyone to make and share portraits of themselves and their friends.



Big Task

Get a massive piece of paper, trace around yourself, or get someone else to do this. Start to paint! Think about the colour of your clothes, your skin, and your eyes!



small **Task**

Draw a picture of yourself on some paper from the family trolley. Ask someone to take a picture of it in the gallery, give it to somebody, or keep it to put up at home!



Quick Task

Using materials from the family trolley design your own group portrait of people you think are important enough to be in a painting. Who will be in it?



Big Task

Make a shadow play about an important story you think other people should know. To do this, cut figures out of dark paper, and find a bedsheet and a lamp to make your theatre screen.



Families come
in many
Shapes & Sizes





Big Task

Find costumes or swap clothes, dress up, and take a family photo. Think about how you can show your different personalities. Is there an item of clothing or prop that could show what your interests are?

We've been looking at people a lot – you can also tell stories with paintings that do not have people in them.

A painting of nature is called a landscape. Landscapes can have trees, mountains, fields, forests, rivers and animals in them.

Find a landscape painting and think about these questions:

Where do you think this place might be?

If you were in this landscape what might you see, hear or smell?

If you painted a picture of a special place, where would it be of?





ORIGAMI

*is the Japanese art
of paper folding.*

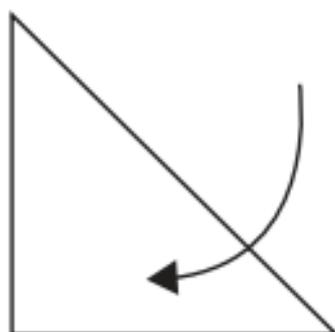
small **Task**

Help yourself to some paper from the family trolley and see if you can make a 3D landscape!

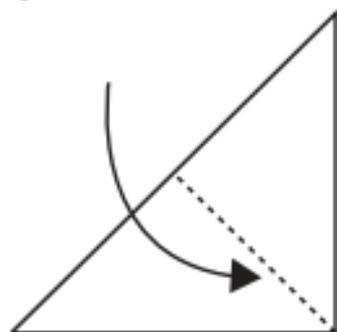
How many paintings of flowers can you find in the gallery? Choose your favourite one and have a go at making a flower inspired by it.



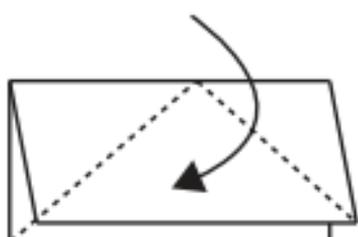
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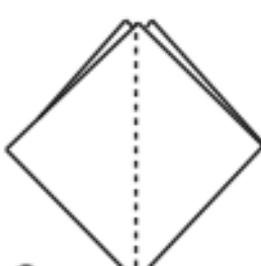
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Something to do at home :)

Big Task

If it's not raining go outside and paint a landscape local to you. You can use a washing line to hang up all your paintings.



Something to do at home, or in the cafe :)

small **Task**

Find something you can print with - for example, a coffee cup or a bit of wet soil. Press it on some paper to make a print. Make your own impression! Could you doodle on top of the shapes you've printed to turn them in to a landscape? You could draw a stump at the bottom of a coffee ring and turn it in to a tree!



It's messy!

Big Task

Find an adult who can make or buy you a printing screen. Put paper under the screen. Put a lot of paint on the deep side of the screen and squeegee it downward. This will create a very colourful print. Once it's dry, this could be the background for a landscape!"

MOVE SQUEEGEE



PAPER

Something to do at home :)

There is paint
everywhere.



We'd love to see you at the Dulwich Picture Gallery!

**THIS TICKET GETS YOU AND YOUR FAMILY
INTO OUR COLLECTION AND SPECIAL EXHIBITION
FOR ONE FREE VISIT**

Bring it to the front desk at the gallery any time you like

FREE DAY PASSES

For all exhibitions at Dulwich Picture Gallery

Admits all families that hold this pass

ART SUNDAY

FREE ART ACTIVITIES
FOR ALL FAMILIES

2-4 PM

JUST COME
ALONG



We'd also love to see you at Art Sunday. Free art activities for all families every Sunday 2-4pm. Just come along.

**Special thanks to
family workshop
participants:**

Semina

Kashif

Amara

Kiyaan

Kimberley

Sienna

Danielle

Michelle

Bobbi-Rae

Amarice

Auraya

Asunta

Amina

Latifah

Massa

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