



Spots and Dots

Learning Objective

- Who is Yayoi Kusama and what is her art work like?
- To be able to use an artist to influence own ideas and artwork.



What is the connection?



PEOPLE LIKE TO CALL HER 'THE
PRINCESS OF POLKA DOTS'!



SHE LIKES TO MAKE SCULPTURES TOO! OF COURSE,
THEY ARE COVERED IN DOTS!



Yayoi Kusama - Flowers That Bloom Tomorrow, Square Mile, London, 2012

A SCULPTURE IS ART YOU CAN WALK
AROUND AND VIEW FROM OTHER SIDES.



DO YOU THINK YOU WOULD BE ABLE TO WALK AROUND
THIS ARTWORK BY KUSAMA?
IS THIS A SCULPTURE?



Flowers That Bloom At Midnight, 2009, Tuileries Gardens, Paris



YOU CAN WALK AROUND THIS PUMPKIN
BY KUSAMA. THIS PUMPKIN IS A
SCULPTURE!



Yayoi Kusama - Pumpkin, 1994, Benesse Art Site, Naoshima, Japan



WHY DO YOU THINK SHE LIKES
DOTS SO MUCH?



WHEN SHE WAS A LITTLE GIRL, SHE IMAGINED A FIELD OF FLOWERS. THESE FLOWERS WERE COVERED IN DOTS. THESE DOTTED FLOWERS SEEMED TO GO ON FOREVER AND EVER. THAT EXPERIENCE STILL INSPIRES HER TO THIS DAY.



Write WORDS and NOTES while you watch the Youtube clip about YOYAI KUSAMA

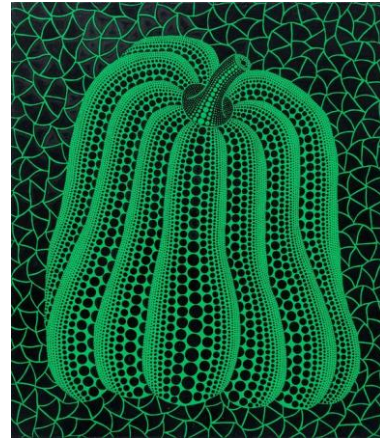
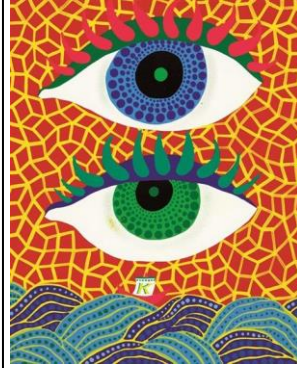
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Watch until 6 mins 12 secs

Yayoi Kusama

Yayoi Kusama (草間 彌生, *Kusama Yayoi*, born 22 March, 1929) is a Japanese contemporary artist who works primarily in sculpture and installation, but is also active in painting, performance, film, fashion, poetry, fiction, and other arts. Her work is based in conceptual art and shows some attributes of feminism, minimalism, surrealism, Art Brut, pop art, and abstract expressionism, and is infused with autobiographical & psychological content. She has been acknowledged as one of the most important living artists to come out of Japan.



Learning Objective

To be able to use an artist to influence own ideas and artwork.

Draw some of the images and fill with dots and spots.

Key words

simplify, pattern, form, imagination, colour

Task:

Using Yayoi Kusama as inspiration create a piece of artwork that includes one or more of the following images.

