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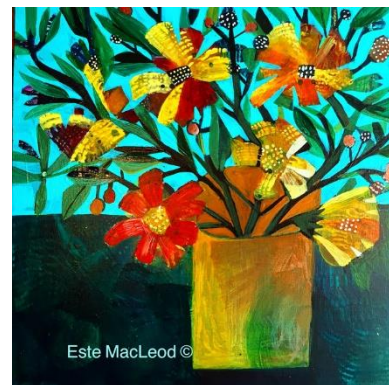
Welcome to the Art Page. Every week we will post a totally optional art activity for you to have a go at if you wish. We will give you a subject, an artist to look at, an activity to follow and extra ideas allowing for limited resources at home. The aim of this page is to keep that creativity going. Have fun!

This week's theme is **flowers**.

The artist we are looking at is **Este MacLeod**.

Este MacLeod is a professional painter and designer born in South Africa and now living in Berkshire.

A love of simplified plants and natural shapes inform her still life, landscape and fantasy paintings. Este uses a variety of mediums to create textured surfaces. Her paintings are inspired by travel, nature, dreams, seasons, sentiments and thoughts as well as everyday surroundings. She uses layers of colours, patterns, textures and mark making to create simplified flowers and plants.



Flower Activity.

1. Look at the work of **Este MacLeod**. Pick out all her wonderful flower designs. Which one do you like best?

2. You can either do one big flower with lots of detail or you can do a vase of flowers.

3. Using an old magazine cut out different shapes to create your own flower.

4. Add in any other types of paper you might have to hand. I have used some paper that I painted earlier for the leaves.



5. Build up layers until you have a design with lots of colour, pattern and different shapes.

Here is a detail of my flower.



Other ideas

Be inspired by the work of **Este MacLeod** and draw your own flower with whatever art materials you have to hand at home.

Look at some of the flowers in your garden and draw or paint your favourite one.

Paint a bee's eye view of a flower.



Take some photographs of flowers and make a collage of your pictures.