

Spring Term 1 Year 1 Art and Design

Key facts

Henri Rousseau was a French Painter who had a variety of jobs before he started painting at the age of 40. He taught himself to paint and, as a result, his work is often described as naïve and childlike. Rousseau has never set foot in a jungle, but took his inspiration from going to botanical gardens and looking at illustrations in books.

Pablo Picasso was Spanish painter, who greatly admired Rousseau's paintings. He even arranged a banquet to honour him.

Resources

Information about Henri Rousseau and Pablo Picasso

Paint, brushes, water, paper

Collage materials – paper, tissue paper etc.

In the Jungle - Collage

Brief summary/ overview

Children will have the opportunity to experiment with collage, creating a 3D background. They will then add a jungle animal on top of this collage, painted in the style of Henri Rousseau.

Rousseau was a self-taught artist, who became famous for his paintings of the jungle, even though he never actually saw one. He worked to stir emotion through his paintings of wild animals and use of colour.

Prior Knowledge

Children will have explored colour mixing and textures in their drawing and painting units.

Key Vocabulary

Surrounded, lush, exotic, naïve, botanical, imagination, specimens, enlarging, unique, exaggeration, Foreground, background, contrast, illustrations, wet-wash

Cross curricular links/visits

There are forest school links to creating natural collages and links to DT creating items for a purpose.