

Spring Term 2 Year 1 Art and Design

Key facts

Mark Quinn is well known for his sculptures and his choice of materials to work with, which includes flowers, bread, marble and stainless steel. In 2013 Mark Quinn produced a sculpture, called The Rush of Nature. This was 6-foot-high and made of bronze, painted with 18 coloured layers. Flowers are attractive to humans because of their vibrant colours, soft curves and symmetrical forms. Over thousands of years, artists have used many techniques to try and recreate these attractive qualities.

Georgia O'Keeffe was an American artist, best known for her paintings of flowers. She painted nature in a way that showed how it made her feel. She was known as a pioneer because of her unique way of painting nature, by simplifying the flowers' shapes and forms.

The Beauty of Flowers - Sculpting

Brief summary/ overview

Children will explore the works of Mark Quinn and Georgia O'Keeffe, using a variety of sculpture techniques and different colour and painting techniques to create their own flower sculpture..

Prior Knowledge

Children developed their drawing and painting knowledge and skills in the Autumn term including colour mixing, knowledge of primary and secondary colours and creating feeling and emotion in the previous spring unit.

Key Vocabulary

Pioneer, significance, context, symmetrical, base, sorrow, themes, writing, Sculpture, sculptor, sculpting, moulding, abstract

Resources

Paper, card etc

Clay and sculpting tools

Paint and a selection of brushes

Cross curricular links/visits

Can make links to plants in science and seeing flowers in spring in Forest School.