

Bees, Beetles and Butterflies

Sketchbooks

Many artists begin their work with a sketch or several small sketches. They often use sketchbooks to draw their observations, select colours, make notes or write down ideas and details they will use to develop into a finished piece of art.



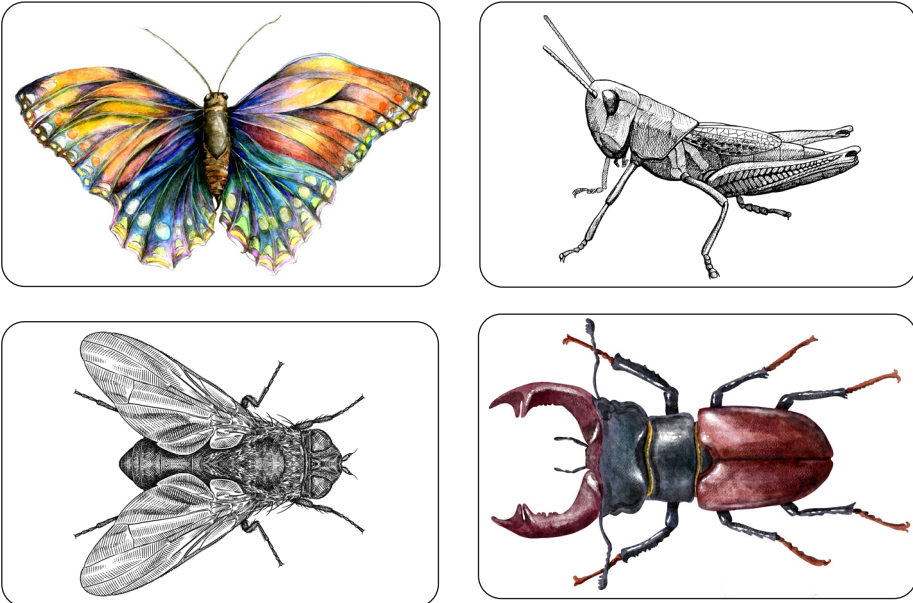
Lucy Arnold

Lucy Arnold is a contemporary artist. She creates fine art. Her artwork includes illustrations, paintings, digital art and pieces of mixed media artwork. Nature inspires the art she creates and she expresses her ideas with a bold use of colour. The subject matter of some of her artwork includes insects, such as butterflies, beetles and moths.



Observational drawing

Observational drawing involves drawing what you see. An artist creates a realistic picture of their subject matter when creating an observational drawing and uses line, tone, shape and colour to record the details of the subject. Observational drawing requires accuracy and concentration.



Mixed media collages

The term 'mixed media' describes artwork that uses more than one medium. Materials used to create mixed media art include paint, paper, fabric, wood and found or decorative objects. Collage is a type of mixed media art. When collaging, artists select different mediums. They cut or tear the mediums into pieces, arrange them in a variety of ways and choose a method, such as gluing or stitching, to attach them onto a supporting surface or background. Embellishments, such as sequins and buttons, can also be used.

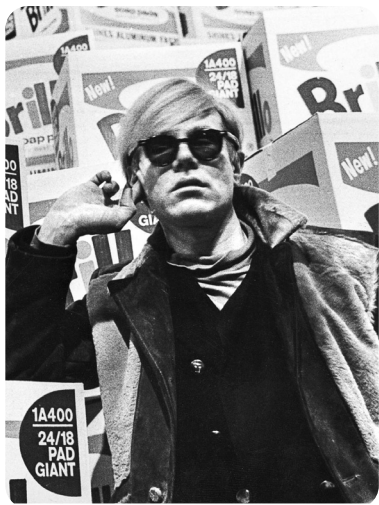


mixed media collage

Pop Art

Pop Art was an art movement that began in the United Kingdom and United States in the mid to late 1950s. It features images of everyday objects, words or people presented using vibrant colours and bold outlines. This art movement was inspired by popular culture.

The American artist, Andy Warhol, is one of the most recognised and influential Pop Artists of all time. He used images of everyday objects and famous people in his work. Through his work, Andy Warhol aimed to reflect the hope, wealth, materialism and mass production of a post-war society. Iconic artwork by Andy Warhol includes images of Campbell's Soup cans and the film star, Marilyn Monroe.



Andy Warhol

Glossary

contemporary	Belonging to the present time.
materialism	The belief that having money and possessions is important for life.
medium	The materials an artwork is made from.
popular culture	The things that people in society are interested in, such as films, music, television programmes, books, technology and people.