

In this month's newsletter we're introducing you to artist Thomas Brezing, whose show *'Perhaps Our Awakening is Our Deeper Dream'* has just closed in our Project Space. We will also be looking at environmental art and artists, and making our very own environmental art piece! Inside you will find a fun creative task for you to try out at home, and discover which artwork we have picked as our work of the month. We hope you have lots of creative fun!



'Bird Series, no. IV'

THOMAS BREZING
PERHAPS OUR AWAKENING IS OUR DEEPER DREAM
GTG PROJECT SPACE 1ST - 18TH OCTOBER 2020



Artist Profile: Thomas Brezing

Thomas Brezing (born 1969) is a German born artist who lives and works in Dublin. Thomas creates artwork in lots of different types of mediums, like paint, audio and performance. In his artwork, he looks at the relationship between humans and the environment, so how we live in and use the natural world around us.

Thomas has had exhibitions in Ireland, Germany, Wales, Finland and Belgium. You can watch a film about his exhibition at the GTG on our website!



Did you know...

The Mona Lisa has her own mailbox in the Louvre because of all the love letters she receives!

Environment Art

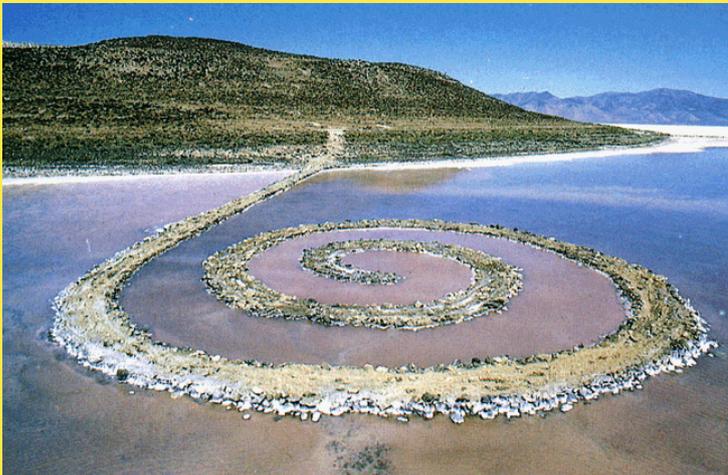
Environment Art is the term for art that is made to actually become part of the environment, or to make a statement about environmental issues. In the last 30 years it has become more popular, as people learn more and talk about the impact human activity is having on the planet. Here are some examples of artists who've made environmental art:



Thomas Brezing, *Out Too Far (Wishing Too Many Things)*, 2018

Thomas Brezing

In his sculptural work *OUT TOO FAR (WISHING FOR TOO MANY THINGS)*, Thomas Brezing created a 25 foot long whale skeleton from recycled GAA footballs and multicoloured plastic bottle tops. As part of this artwork, Brezing and some helpers also cleaned up Loughshinny beach, where this picture was taken.



Robert Smithson, *'Spiral Jetty'*, 1970

Robert Smithson

Robert Smithson (born. 1938, died. 1973) was an American artist known for his sculpture and land art works. He is best known for his work *Spiral Jetty*, a huge 460m x 4.6m sculpture made of mud, salt crystals and basalt rocks. It is located on the shore of the Great Salt Lake in Utah, USA.



Olafur Eliasson, *'Ice Watch'*, 2015

Olafur Eliasson

Olafur Eliasson (born 1967) is a Danish-Icelandic artist best known for his sculptures and large-scale installation art. Olafur creates huge artworks that people must walk through and around, like *Ice Watch*. He experiments with light, temperature, water and colour to make people more aware of their surroundings.



Colour Walk

Take a walk around your neighbourhood and try to find something every colour of the rainbow: red, orange, yellow, green, blue, indigo and violet!

Take a picture or make a sketch of each coloured object.

Recreate a rainbow with your objects by printing your pictures and creating a collage, by drawing or painting the objects from your pictures or from the sketches you made on your walk. Hang your lovely rainbow artwork on the window to cheer people up as they walk or drive past!

Weekend Task



Work of the Month

Eloise, aged 7

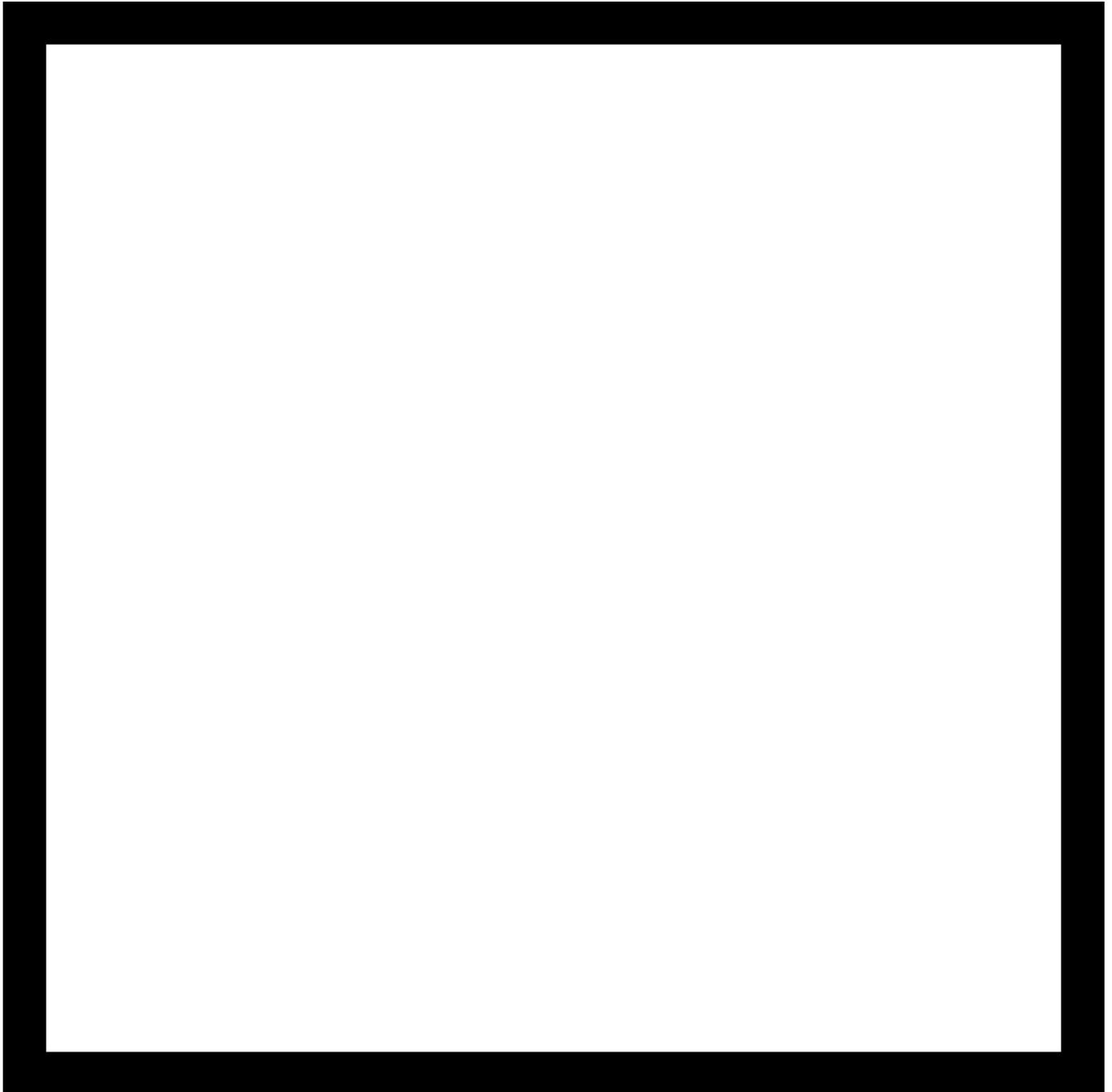
Eloise's lovely flower picture was inspired by our 'Draw like Yayoi Kusama' online workshop.

Don't forget, all our online workshops are always available free on the GTG website for you to do at home!



Create your own Environmental art piece using autumn leaves that you find outside!

Make a collage with them in the frame below or use them as a stamp by painting the leaf, turning it upside down and pressing it down in the frame. You could also use the leaf as a template - draw around it and colour in the leaf shape left behind!



Share your work with us!

We've missed having you in the gallery and your amazing art hanging in our Junior Gallery! We would love to see what you have been working on at home. You can send your artwork to us via post, or simply send us a picture of your masterpiece via email or social media. Please make sure you have the permission of your parent or guardian beforehand.

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