

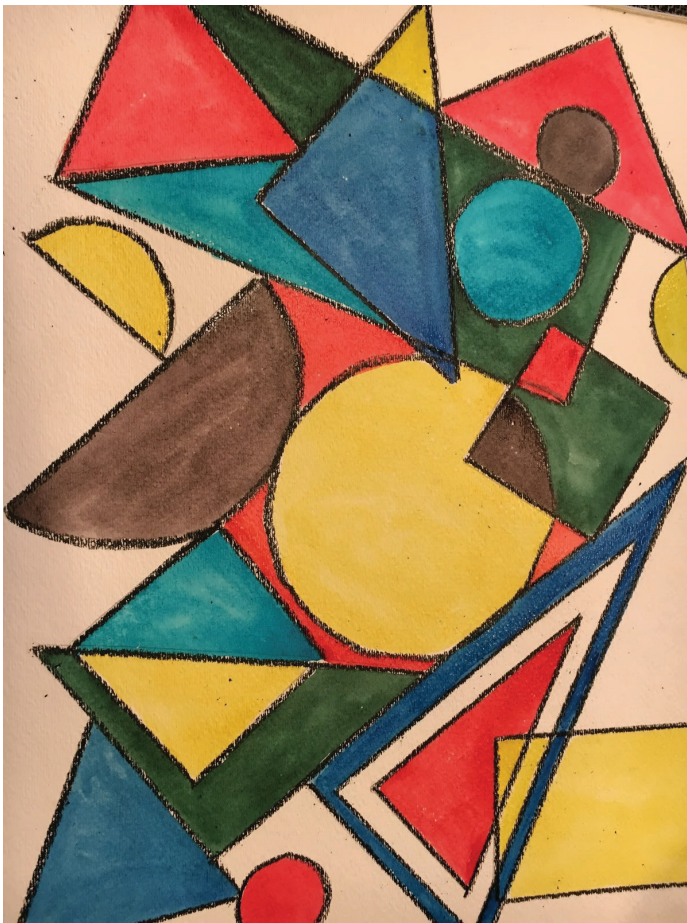


Neuberger Museum of Art

CREATE NEGATIVE AND POSITIVE SHAPE DRAWINGS

inspired by

LEE KRASNER



ACTIVITY:

As students create artworks using shapes and color like the artist Lee Krasner they will learn about negative and positive space.

MATERIALS:

- Large white paper
- Paper to cut out shapes
- Scissors
- Ruler
- Pencil
- Black crayon
- Choose one for your artwork: watercolors, colored pencils, markers, crayons, pastels, or sidewalk colored chalk



ACTIVITY:

1. Do a shape scavenger hunt around the house to find these shape objects to trace: square, rectangle, circle, triangle, and oval.
Can you find other shapes?
2. Trace the shapes on a small white piece of paper. (Tip: Heavier paper works best.)
3. Cut out the shapes to make stencils. Take your time.
4. On a large white paper place the cut out shapes and trace around them.
The shapes can overlap and be inside each other. Try to make shapes touch, leave space between them, and cluster them.
5. Use a black crayon to trace over all of your shapes. Black lines should be dark and bold.
The crayon line will help you stay inside the shape when painting or coloring.
6. Start to color or watercolor each shape a different color.
Use at least five (5) different colors.
All shapes should be colored in.
7. Try your best to keep the outside (the background) white.
8. Let the artwork dry and hang in the house.
9. Talk about the shapes and colors you used with your parents.

