

JOANA VASCONCELOS BEYOND

DRAWING TOGETHER

This exhibition celebrates the vibrant artwork of Portuguese artist Joana Vasconcelos. An encounter with her sculptures encourages us to question and reconsider the meanings behind objects, supporting us to think differently about the world around us.

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- 1. Wake up your imagination and get looking.
- Focus on the crocheted animal heads, notice all the different patterns and lines that the lace creates. How does the crochet remind you of a drawing?

2. Find *Call Center*, a sculpture made from old fashioned telephones.

- Notice how the handsets are tumbling down.
- Challenge yourself to make a drawing without taking your pencil off the page and draw in a continuous line.
- Imagine what conversations might be coming down the telephone line?

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3. Find the gigantic and colourful sculpture called *Valkyrie Marina Rinaldi*, made from multicoloured patchwork, crochet and many textiles.

- Get everyone in your group to place themselves in different positions around this super-sized sculpture and draw a section of what they see.
- Place all your drawings side by side. What do you notice?

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4. In traditional Norse mythology, Valkyries are the female figures who choose those who die in battle and those who deserve to enter the afterlife, called Valhalla.

- Design your own mythical creature, take inspiration from the shapes, patterns and textures in *Valkyrie Marina Rinaldi*.
- Use your imagination to make your drawing as vibrant and intriguing as Joana's sculpture.
- Make your creature as large as you dare. Imagine your creature transformed into a sculpture.
- What materials would you make your sculpture out of?
- Fold your drawing to make it 3D. How does this change your work?
- Think about the personality your sculpture has. Give your work a title.

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5. Joana creates her sculptures working with a team of people.

- Choose a sculpture that you and someone else in your group both find interesting.
- Spend time looking together. Notice shapes, textures and what it is constructed from.
- Make a drawing together.
- Place your pencils in a starting point on the same piece of paper. Start drawing together.
- Pass your drawing on to someone else. Let them add their ideas.
- Explore how your marks might meet each other.
- Enjoy the shapes you create together.

6. From inside the gallery look out and see the sculpture *I'll Be Your Mirror*.

- What do you see when you look in the mirror?
- Are you loud or quiet, confident or shy?
- Make a drawing about yourself that celebrates who you are.
- Make marks and lines that capture your unique personality.

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