



HOME LEARNING

Subject: Year 11 Art

Time to complete: 50 minutes.

Learning Objectives: To research the artist Yayoi Kusama and develop ideas inspired by her artwork.

Task 1 Read the information about the artist Yayoi Kusama.

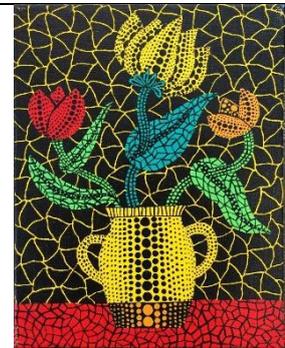
Yayoi Kusama (1929) is a Japanese contemporary artist who is sometimes called 'the princess of polka dots'. Although she makes lots of different types of art – paintings, sculptures, performances and installations – they have one thing in common, DOTS.

Yayoi Kusama tells the story of how when she was a little girl she had a hallucination that freaked her out. She was in a field of flowers when they all started talking to her! The heads of flowers were like dots that went on as far as she could see, and she felt as if she was disappearing or as she calls it 'self-obliterating' – into this field of endless dots. This weird experience influenced most of her later work. Look at the Tate Modern website for more information:

<https://www.tate.org.uk/kids/explore/who-is/who-yayoi-kusama>



Shellfish (1989) Screen Print



Flowers (1996)



Mountain Country (1986)



Task 2: Develop your own idea/s inspired by Yayoi Kusama's polka dotted artwork.

You could draw the outline of a view from a window or an object of your choice or even a celebrity. Draw whatever patterns you want on the object, celebrity or the view from the window. You could use polka dots, triangles, cross hatching, spirals etc. **YOU DO NOT JUST HAVE TO USE POLKA DOTS!**

The Color Wheel



Task 3: Colour your drawing in using bright, eye catching colours. Look at the colour wheel for inspiration. The colours which are opposite on the colour wheel are complementary colours such as red and green - these colours make each other stand out when placed together.

Task 4: Write your opinion of Yayoi Kusama's artwork- do you like or dislike it and why?

Save your work:

If you are using a computer, open a blank document to do your work (you can use Word or Publisher). Don't forget to SAVE it with your name, the lesson you are doing and the date. For example: T.Smith Maths 8 April

If you would like us to see or mark your work, please email it or send a photo of your completed work to fcharlesworth@glebe.bromley.sch.uk