

Drawing

These Artists



Did This



Content

Inspiration – Mandalas and Zendoodles

From Wikipedia:

“A **mandala** (**Sanskrit**: मण्डल, maṇḍala; literally "circle") is a spiritual and ritual **symbol** in **Hinduism** and **Buddhism**, representing the **universe**. In common use, "mandala" has become a generic term for any diagram, chart or geometric pattern that represents the **cosmos** metaphysically or symbolically; a **microcosm** of the **universe**.” (<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mandala#Practice>)

Video: <http://religion.blogs.cnn.com/2010/06/02/a-mandala-in-minutes/#comments>

Curricular Competencies

Project –

We are going to be inspired by the traditional creation of mandalas to create our own “zentangle” design which will incorporate symbols and colours meaningful to our own lives, likes and cultures.

Materials:

Pencils

Pencil Crayons

Markers

Paper

Eraser

Steps – How are we going to do that?

1. Watch the video on creating a mandala. Answer these questions on a sheet of paper:
 - a. Who are traditional Mandala artists?
 - b. What is “Appropriation”?
 - c. When you’re creating your own design, should you copy someone else’s artwork, or try to incorporate your own ideas?
2. On the same sheet of paper brainstorm your current five favourite things (in words) and begin sketching symbols of those things (in pictures.)
3. On a sheet of 11x17 paper begin creating your mandala or zendoodle with your own personally significant symbols.
4. Outline and colour.
5. Hand it in to the completed drawer with YOUR NAME ON IT.

Assessment

Marking – What is the teacher looking for? (Write some of the teacher’s expectations before starting)



Exceeds Expectations –



Satisfies Expectations -



Almost Meets Expectations -



Not Finished -

Core Competencies

Reflection – What skills did I work on with this project? (Hi-light and hand in with project)



I understand that my identity is made up of many interconnected aspects (experiences, history, heritage, friends)



I understand that learning is continuous and my concept of self and identity will continue to evolve.



My ideas are fun for me and make me happy.