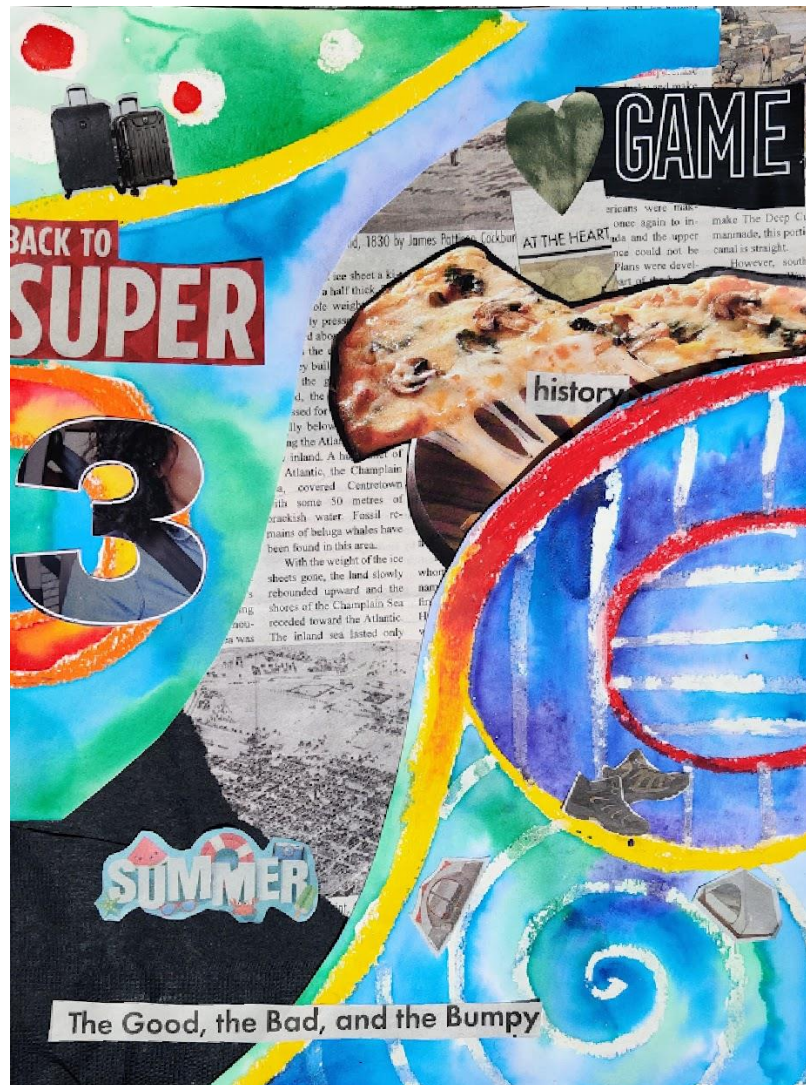


Fragmented Lines

Self-expression through lines and colour!



Russna Kaur is known for her vibrant, large-scale abstract paintings. Drawing from experiences in her mother's local Indian bridalwear store, she uses bright colours and dynamic lines to create three immersive banners that will be on display on the exterior of PAMA's Art Gallery. You can incorporate line and colour into your own art like the example above while reflecting on your own experiences. To learn more, see **Russna Kaur's *Maze of control and the slightest chaos*** on display at PAMA from September to January.

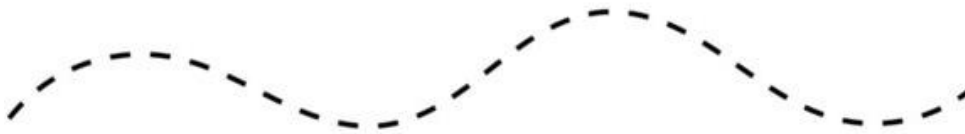
Materials:

- Watercolour paper
- Watercolour paint
- Paintbrush
- Oil Pastels
- [Optional] Various papers (tissue, construction paper, newspaper, magazines)
- Scissors
- Glue stick

Instructions:

1. Use oil pastels to draw lines across your page.

Russna Kaur uses lines to convey meaning in her artwork. Record your feelings in your artwork. What does a happy line look like? A confused line? What emotions do you see in a curved broken line?



Tip: You can use a white oil pastel to draw invisible lines that will show up later in your work.

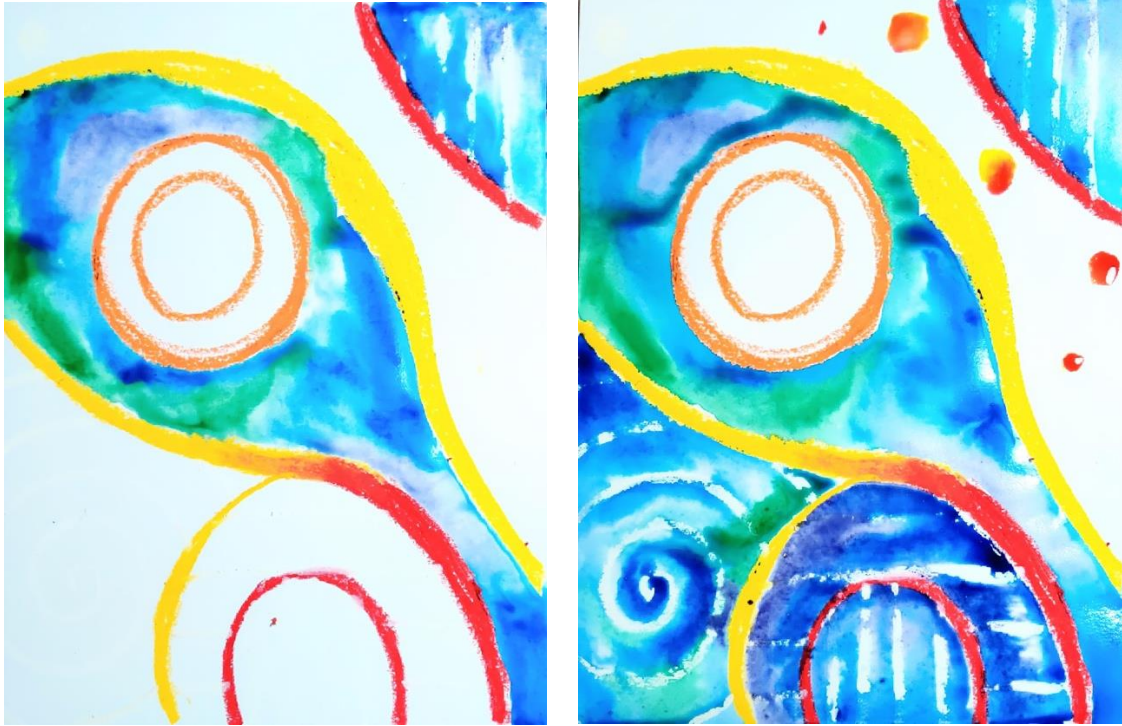


2. Use watercolour paint to fill in the shapes.

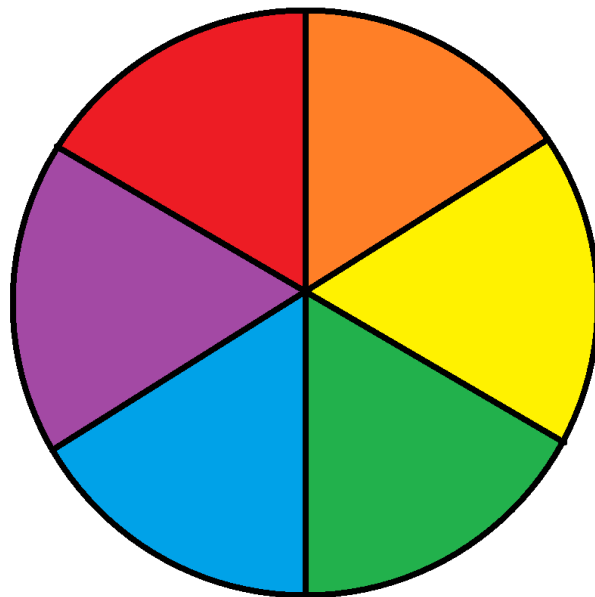
You can also use different colours to symbolize different feelings! Would you use the same colour to show anger and happiness?

We can use an exciting technique called wet-on-wet. Wet-on-wet means we will paint on wet paper. This will allow the colours to dance across the paper and swirl with each other. For this technique, fill your shape in with clean water, and then drop in the paint.

Notice how the oil pastel lines act like walls on the page.



Tip: Use more than one colour inside each shape but avoid mixing complementary colours. Complementary colours are two colours that are opposites on the colour wheel. While they look beautiful side-by-side, they will create a muddy colour when you mix them. Can you guess what the 3 pairs of complementary colours in this colour wheel are?



If you guessed blue-orange, green-red, and purple-yellow, you are correct!

3. (OPTIONAL) Use painting to create a collage.

Collage means that we are going to cut and glue our papers together to create a new picture. Let your painting dry and gather an assortment of papers.

Examine Russna Kaur's banners closely. Do you notice her use of letters and words in her artwork? Are you able to make out the meaning? You are welcome to include words in your own collage.



Russna Kaur – *Neat and Tidy*



Russna Kaur – *They Are Somewhere Between the Sun and the Moon, 2020*

This collage is an opportunity for self-exploration and reflection. What are your favourite things? What are some things that you are proud of? What do you want for yourself in the future? These are just a few things that you can include in your collage.

Begin by collecting images, words, and shapes that pop out at you. You can even draw a picture that you want to include.

Arrange the items on a blank sheet of paper. Once you are happy with the composition, glue everything down!