



Ordinary to Extraordinary

How can you take everyday objects like paper, nails, toothpicks, cups, and create something extraordinary? Can you create art out of ordinary things not commonly thought as art materials?

Your assignment is to do just that: create an extraordinary sculpture out of ordinary household items.

First, look at the following resources for inspiration...

WATCH : [Tara Donovan Sculpting Everyday Materials](#)

List the materials you see in her sculptures:

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How does light play a role in her sculptures?

The camera angles throughout the clip were deliberate. Describe the videography. Why did they choose to film her sculptures this way? What do you think it says about her work?

LOOK : [John Bisbee](#)

List the materials you see in his sculptures:

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Find “Brittlestars.” Describe the pattern(s) you see.

Find “Plode and Rove.” Describe this in 3 adjectives.

Find “Cone.” How did he use the brads to create a pattern?

WATCH : [Embrace the Shake](#)

List 5 materials you see in his work:

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In 3 sentences or less: what’s the general message from this video? / What’s the take away? / What did you learn?

DESIGN :

Take a look around your house to inventory materials. Look in your garage, the junk drawer, the bathroom cabinets. What materials will you use?

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Out of the 3 listed above, which artist are you most inspired by?

What will you create? Does it make most sense to sketch it out (if so, insert a photo below), or describe your plan?

CREATE & DOCUMENT :

Documenting the process is just as important as documenting the finished product. How will you document your process? (time lapse video or photos, for example)

If you are doing a time lapse video, attach it to this Google Classroom assignment.

If you are photographing the process, import your photos and captions below. Include at least 3 in-process photos, and 3 photos of your finished piece of art.