

ART MENU– 11th-15th May– Lock Down Art Work

First you all need to read this excellent article about how artists are responding to the pandemic and lockdown. It describes how artists are creating work to show what it is like and how they feel. Damien Hirst is creating rainbows and some artists are photographing daily life under lock down. Antony Gormley has created a sculpture of a figure hugging itself tightly suggesting anxiety and other artists are painting scenes of daily life.



<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-52296886>

“Butterfly Rainbow” by Damien Hirst

I would like you to have a go at this. Create an art work using any materials that you like to show what the lock down is like and how you feel about it. Here are some ideas but please feel free to do or make anything.

- Some form of rainbow related or themed art work
- A series of photographs showing what life is like under lock down e.g. home school, video calling, Zoom chats, rainbows in windows, home baking, empty streets, loo roll shortages!
- Create a sculpture such as this ‘kitchen table sculpture’ using materials from your home. <https://www.instagram.com/p/B-HzFiSnS7f/> They could be objects associated with lock down.
- Paint or draw a scene related to lock down.
- Look at David Hockney’s iPad drawings of landscapes created in lockdown. Have a go at making your own landscape on your iPad, laptop or tablet.
- Draw a self-portrait of yourself and write your feelings about lock down around it.
- Create a collage using pictures, headlines, photographs drawings etc., to show what lock down is like.
- Create a natural sculpture in your garden using natural materials you can find– perhaps a rainbow?