



# Hands-on art learning experiences for kaiako

- To enrich and nourish your own arts practice (and your souls)
- Drawing exercise Taking a Line for a Walk
- Collaborative drawing exercises
- Observational drawings of natural materials and work informed by siapo designs







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# MEDIA! MATERIALS

: VISUAL ART : Discipline Specific Knowledge

## PRINCIPLES

- · contrast
- · harmony
- · balance
- · r wthm
- · tension

pencils, pastels, crayons charcoal, felts, graphite, ink, dye, point, glue, paper, card, clay, fabric, found materials ...

#### TOOLS

brushes sponges quills scrapers

scissors knives...

### PROCESSES/PROCEDURES

specific artmaking methods. e.g.

- · card block prints
- · painting with acrylics

· clay sculpture ....

#### ELEMENTS

- · point
- · line
- · tone
- · texture
- · colour
- ·shape
- · space
- · mass

#### TECHNIQUES

methods or ways of using tools or materials to achieve a specific effect ...

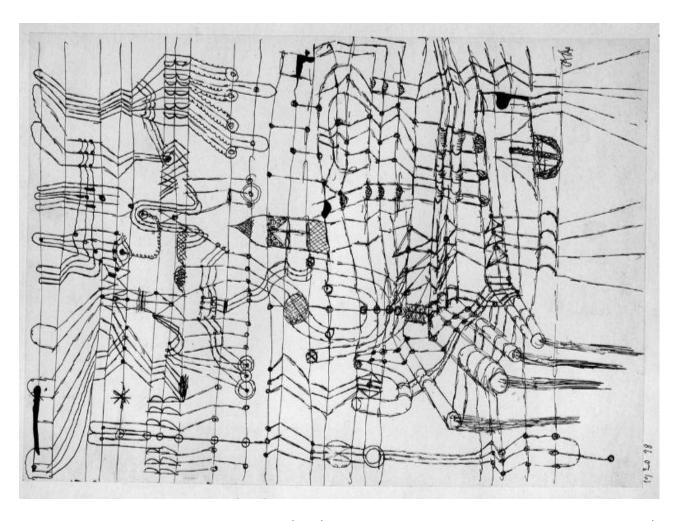
#### PATTERN

A decorative design made by repeating /organising a sequence of elements.

#### DEVICES [visualtricks]

- · outline
- · layering, masking
- · dominant colour
- · framing ...

#### Taking a Line for a Walk.

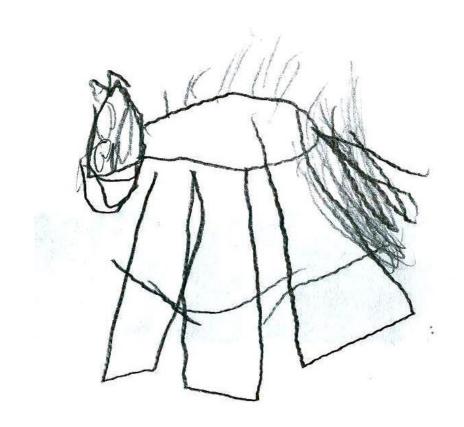


Bauhaus artist Paul Klee considered a line to be one of the key elements of art and architecture. He famously described a line drawing as "a dot that went for a walk."

#### Intentional teaching:

For you to develop a group work using the concept of Taking a Line for a Walk.

- Exploring the elements of line and their variety
- Exploring charcoal.

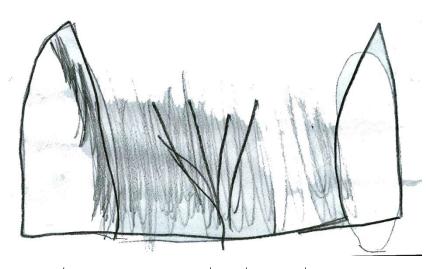




Collaborative art making by de-privatising practices for enriching your own creativity... but that might work in your teaching.

- Making collaborative monsters
- Postcard art





**Observational Trawings** are a form of documentation and clearly show children's thinking and understanding. They are often the beginning of children developing working theories about the world around them.





#### Intentional teaching:

For you to do an observational drawing in charcoal of one of the objects you brought today.

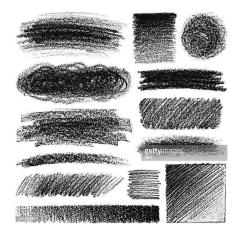
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- Exploring charcoal.

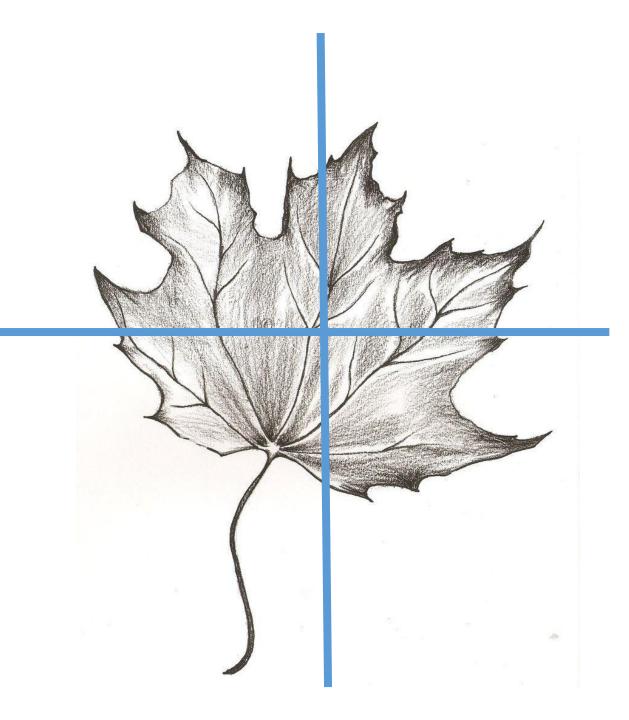


Dividing your object into quadrants may help...

Look at where the areas of light and shadow fall on the object ...

Think about textures ...





# Siapo (Tapa) patterns







Siapo, also known as tapa, is one of the oldest Samoan cultural art forms. For centuries Siapo has been passed from generation to generation. Even so, it has fast become a nearly extinct art form. Siapo is not only a decorative art, it is a symbol of Samoan and other Pacific Island cultures.

There are certain designs drawn from nature that are often used with Siapo - shells, flowers, leaves (such as the materials you have collected), as well as birds, sea creatures, and animals.







#### Intentional teaching

- For you to play with ideas (reflection, rotation, repetition) and pastels
- For you to develop a **collaborative** Siapo-inspired work using your observational drawings of natural materials
- For you to gain a deeper understanding of: the application of the elements of line, texture and colour in a Siapo design





