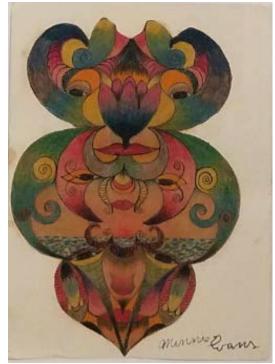


## OGDEN MUSEUM OF SOUTHERN ART

# O-riginal Art Activities: Symmetrical Dream Drawing Inspired by Minnie Evans



Minnie Evans, Untitled, 1965, Mixed media on paper

**Minnie Evans** was a **visionary artist** - her ideas came to her in her dreams. She also drew inspiration from the gardens where she worked. A number of her works feature a symmetrical face surrounded by flora and fauna. Many cultures believe dreams connect us to our ancestors.

Illustrate your dreams as Minnie Evans has done.

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#### **Supplies**

Color Pencils, Scissors, Glue stick, Color paper

#### Instructions

**Step 1:** Fold your paper in half vertically with the template on the outside.

**Step 2:** Think about your favorite dream. What colors, shapes or images come to mind?

**Step 3:** Use color pencils to fill in the outline with colors, shapes and images from your dream. Color the side closest to the fold.

Step 4: Unfold the paper.

**Step 5:** Fill in the other half of the drawing. Think about **symmetry**. Minnie Evans' work has the same image on each half of the drawing, creating a symmetrical work of art.

**Step 6:** Use scissors to cut out your drawing, use a glue stick to glue it to a color cardstock background.

If you don't have color cardstock, get creative, use magazine paper or other types of paper you find in your house. Don't forget to ask permission from your parent or guardian before using other materials you find in your house.

### Vocabulary

**Visionary artist** — an artist who is inspired by a wider vision of awareness, including spiritual or mystical themes

**Symmetry** - is when the elements of a painting or drawing balance each other out.





