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O-original Art Activities: Wrapped Sculpture Inspired by Sharon Kopriva



Sharon Kopriva, *Earth Mother*, 2015, Rope and mixed media

Sharon Kopriva, a Texas native, who currently works in Houston, Texas and Hope, Idaho. Sharon combines two- and three-dimensional media with fusions of papier-mâché and found objects. Her career has taken her through investigations of pre-Colombian cultures in Peru, examinations of her Catholic faith, and inspirations from the spiritual forests of the beautiful Pacific Northwest.

Explore texture and wrapping in this O-original Art Activity inspired by Sharon Kopriva.

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Supplies

Plastic Bottle, Scissors, Tape or Glue, String or Color Paper, Markers or Paint

Instructions

Step 1: Use a plastic bottle or **found object** for the base of your **sculpture**. Be sure to ask your parent or guardian for permission to make art with your found object.

Step 2: Choose your material for wrapping. Think about what **texture** and color you want your sculpture to have. Examples of materials to use: string, paper, pipe cleaners etc. If you choose to use paper, use scissors to cut the paper into strips. To create additional texture roll the strips into "string".

Step 3: Tape or glue the material strips together into one long strip.

Step 4: Start at the top of your object. Use tape or glue to attach the material to the top of your object. Wrap the object; be sure to wrap it tightly. If you run out of material before you get to the bottom of your object, tape or glue that piece in place. Start again with another piece of material. Continue until you have completely covered the object.

Step 5: Consider adding layers and more texture to your object by wrapping it with another layer of the same or different material if available.

Step 6: Add color to your object with markers or paint.

Vocabulary

Found object — a thing that someone else has given or thrown away that is often repurposed by artists

Sculpture — an artwork made from materials such as glass, wood, clay, metal that is 3D

Texture - the surface quality of a work of art



