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3rd Grade Art Project

Elizabeth Murray-inspired Tin Foil Drawings

<u>Elizabeth Murray</u> is an artist known for her large-scale, shape-based paintings. (image on the right: *Bop*, 2002.)

<u>Organic Shapes</u>: often curvy, are like shapes found in nature (i.e. a leaf)

<u>Geometric Shapes</u>: involve straight edges and can be measured (i.e. square)

Materials: Tin-Foil, Permanent Markers, Tape, Cardboard

Instructions:

- 1. Cut off a piece of foil and lay it on top of square cardboard.
- 2. Attach the foil to the cardboard by taping down the sides and edges
- 3. Gently press down on the foil surface with the black permanent marker and create an initial doodle. Try not to scribble, but instead draw one continuous line.
- 4. Once the black permanent marker dries, fill in the drawing with colored permanent markers.
- 5. Optional: Add other materials such as stickers or fabric paint on top.





Take it further: Read "City Shapes" by Diana Murray or view the read aloud version on YouTube. <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sAZ3EueVRXs</u>

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