

Political Art



Lesson sequence

- To know about Pop Art and the artists involved
- To explore the work of artist Banksy
- To explore the work of artist Basquiat
- To use a mood board to help with the designing process
- To design the image for a stencil
- To cut out my design of my stencil
- To print using a stencil

Key themes/topic overview

Political art is art that deals with political themes or ideas. It expresses the artist's opinion about a political issue or event. Political art can be used to raise awareness about important issues, to inspire people to take action, or think critically about the world around them.

Sticky learning

New Knowledge

- To know about Pop Art and the artists involved
- To know, describe, interpret and explain the work, ideas and working practices of Banksy
- To know, describe, interpret and explain the work, ideas and working practices of Jean-Michael Basquiat

New Skills

- Develop questions to ask when looking at artworks
- Describe the artwork /What do you like/dislike? Why?
- Explain what the artist is saying to us in this artwork
- Use growing knowledge of how materials and medium act, to help develop ideas
- Able to express and share an opinion about the artwork
- Create a range of stencil ideas.

Vocabulary

Mood boards
 Benday dots
 Graffiti
 Tag
 Street Art
 Stencil
 Digital
 Manipulating
 Contemporary
 Social
 Political
 Cultural

Artists



Roy Lichtenstein
 1923 – 1997 was an American pop artist. During the 1960s, along with Andy Warhol. He was inspired by the comic strip. His work was influenced by popular advertising and the comic book style.

Roy Lichtenstein, Explosion, 1965

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Andy Warhol was born on the 6th August 1928 in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, United States

Jean-Michael Basquiat



Banksy started off drawing freehand, but now he uses stencils to create his artwork. He draws an outline onto card or acetate sheets and then cuts the shapes out by hand. He uses spray paint on the stencil to create the graffiti. Banksy has said that before he used stencils he was a very slow painter, so he often got caught or didn't finish a piece at all. Using stencils makes it faster to get his artwork up onto walls without being spotted!

Banksy

Banksy is a British street and graffiti artist. He likes to remain anonymous and not let people know his true identity. He often draws in high visibility public places such as on buildings or train stations. His paintings are often about politics, war and other important topics. His satirical street art and mind-hurting pictures combine dark humour with graffiti. The graffiti is done with a stencilling technique. Such works have been done on streets, walls, and bridges of cities throughout the world.

