

# ENVIRONMENTAL ART



photos of artwork by Andy Goldsworthy

Many artists turn to the outdoors for inspiration when they make art. Artists such as Andy Goldsworthy are known for their artwork called environmental art or land art. You can see pictures of his artwork above. Land art is art made from things found in nature, arranged in whatever design you come up and then left in nature for everyone to enjoy!

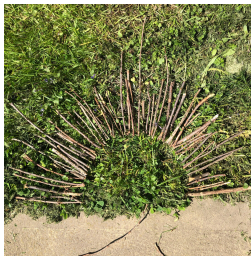
**TIP:** If you want to learn more about this style of art, you can watch the Andy Goldsworthy documentary for free on YouTube. The film is called *Rivers and Tides*.

For this project we're going to use objects found in nature as our materials. This means that you don't need any store bought materials—just whatever you can find in your neighborhood!



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Before you begin think about what you want to make: a circle, a line, a dragon... To start, take a walk and safely explore the outdoors! While you walk, pick up anything you're drawn to. Make sure not to disrupt or damage the environment. Only pick up things that have already fallen to the ground. You may find sticks, flowers, leaves, seeds, stones, pinecones, and more!



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When you've finished collecting your materials, find a spot outside to create your artwork. Before you begin you may want to sort your materials to get an idea of what you have.

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CREATE! Don't forget about the shape you came up with before your walk. If you get stuck, think about a pattern you can design. Do you want your art to be symmetrical (the same on both sides) or not?

When you're finished, leave your artwork outside. These pieces came from nature and nature will reclaim its materials.

**Don't forget to take a picture and share it with us #frickpghkids**

