National Art Gallery of The Bahamas Art Teacher Resources during COVID-19

Activities and Lesson Plans:

Many of these activities require internet use. These activities are a way to get ideas flowing and adjustments will be necessary.

- + Complete one of the many prompts in the **NAGB teacher's resource packet** *attached separately
- + Have your students **research an artist that they like**. Have them share a photo or video about the artist (or an artwork by that artist) that they enjoy. Then have them **critique** the work: Describe, Analyze, Interpret, Judge. Have them send a paragraph in an email. Or on WhatsApp. Or share it on Google Docs.
- + Have students view the **National Collection** at the NAGB (follow the link below). Have them select a work that they **write a description** about. They can also add an interpretation or analysis.
- + Have students make a **site-specific sculptur**e using found materials inside their homes. Photograph the sculpture.
- + Have students use plants and natural materials to create **land art**. Reference artist Andy Goldsworthy.
- + Have students research an **art career** that they're interested in. *Examples: graphic designer, illustrator, art conservator, curator, art historian, museum director, museum educator.* Make a **presentation** about what a day in the life of one of these careers looks like.
- + Complete a series of **blind contour drawings**. Draw your hand or other objects around you without looking at the paper and without lifting the pencil off the paper.
- + Written conversations: Give students a topic or prompt (e.g. What would the world look like if colors didn't exist? Imagine if we didn't have artists and creatives to make all the content that we're consuming because of COVID-19. What would the world be like without artists?) Have them work in pairs or groups to set up a WhatsApp group or Messenger group (or whatever works for them) where they can send messages back and forth discussing the topic. They can then screenshot the conversation and send it to the teacher for reviewing and commenting.
- + 27 Art Activities and Lessons to Try at Home (lesson plans and art activities)
- + Teacher Resources (lesson plans from Denver Art Museum)

- + <u>Lesson Plans</u> (Studio Museum in Harlem lesson plans referencing Black artists)
- + https://theartofeducation.edu/coronavirus/#resources (lesson plans, podcasts, mental health tips, activities etc)
- + <u>100 Sketchbook Prompts Your Students Will Love</u> (Sketch prompts, good for drawing lessons, warming up to drawing, observational skills)

Websites with other great resources:

- + <u>Blog NATIONAL ART GALLERY OF THE BAHAMAS</u> (great articles about Bahamian art on NAGB's website)
- + How to Teach Art When No One Can Go to School
- + National Collection (images of the National Collection at the NAGB)
- + Tate Kids (for younger students but activities can be adapted for older students)
- + The Art of Ed | An Online Resource for Art Teachers
- + NAGBahamas (Vimeo channel with artist talks, exhibition walkthroughs, openings etc)
- + The D'Aguilar Art Foundation, Nassau, Bahamas (Bahamian artists and bios)
- + <u>TateShots</u> (YouTube selection of short videos about wide-ranging artists)
- + Google Arts & Culture (virtual tours of museums, Augmented reality using smartphones)
- + NGAkids Art Zone (virtual learning tools and programmes specifically for art)
- + Visual Art (lesson plans, videos, interactive collections)
- + <u>Virtual culture: Concerts, plays and museums to enjoy from home</u> (more virtual cultural experiences)
- + Quick, Draw! (Super fun drawing game that can be done using just your mouse)
- + <u>Time Machine | MetKids</u> (Pick the time period, the location and the theme and The Met will generate a piece of art for you to learn about.)
- + Teacher Resources (San Francisco Museum of Modern Art resources)
- + 100 Art Therapy Exercises Shelley Klammer (Art as therapy activities)
- + https://bahamar.com/art/#exhibition (view The Current at Baha Mar's art collection)

On social media:

Follow these art/artist/art museum/art education accounts on social media to experience art and art resources virtually.

Museums you can follow on Instagram:



- @guggenheim
- @themuseumofmodernart
- @studiomuseum
- @metmuseum
- @vmfamuseum
- @newmuseum
- @whitneymuseum
- @blumandpoe
- @brooklynmuseum
- @artsy
- @moca
- @daguilarartfoundation
- @the.current.art

Art educators who share great (and FREE) resources on Instagram:

@theartofed (check their highlights sections to get activities and other ideas)

@elementaryarts

@mrs_tfox