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Pick your favorite abstract work of art. Write three words to describe it, or how it makes you feel.

shapes.

Abstract art usually doesn't look like things we recognize in our world. Instead, abstract artists focus on experimenting with colors, lines, and

Starting around 1880, many "modern" artists focused more on representing their own feelings and experiences instead of people or stories.

Modern Art of the United States

Galleries B2-3

Galleries B7-9

Contemporary Art

Take a close look at the different types of artworks on display in these galleries. Notice that many contemporary artists like to use surprising materials for their artwork.

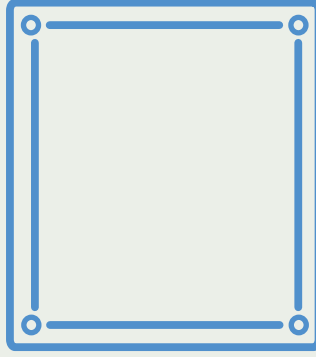
Find a work made with a surprising material. Look at it closely. What do you think it's made of? Check the wall label to find out more!

What surprising material would you want to try creating with? Sketch an idea here:

Did you know?

"Contemporary" means "right now," and many contemporary artists featured in these galleries are still alive and creating new works today.

Did you know? Many European artists based their artworks on stories from religion and Greek and Roman mythology. Before movies, photos, or TV, they used paintings and sculptures to share these stories with the world.



Choose an artwork that catches your eye. What do you think happens next in the story? Draw it here:

Are any of the stories in these galleries familiar to anyone in your group? Use the wall labels to learn more!

Look for an artwork that seems to tell a story. Who are the main characters? What's happening in the story?

These works of art are full of stories!

European Art

Galleries A1-5, A9-10

Latino Art

Gallery C5

The artists in these rooms are active in **Latino** and **Chicano** communities. People in these communities come from Mexico, Central America, or Latin America, or have family members from there.

Many Latino artists use their art to share the things they care about, like their families or homes.

Choose an artwork that you find interesting. What do you think this artist cares about? How can you tell?

What do you care about? Draw something that is important to you here:

Atrium

Who's in your group today? Write their names here:

Latin American Art

Galleries C3-4, 7-10

Look at the artwork around you. Notice how these artists like to ask big questions with their art.

Find a work of art that stands out to you. **What big question is it asking?**

Did you know?

Latin American Art is made by artists who come from Mexico, South America, Central America, and the Caribbean — not too far from Texas!

How can I make a difference?

Who am I?
Where do I come from?

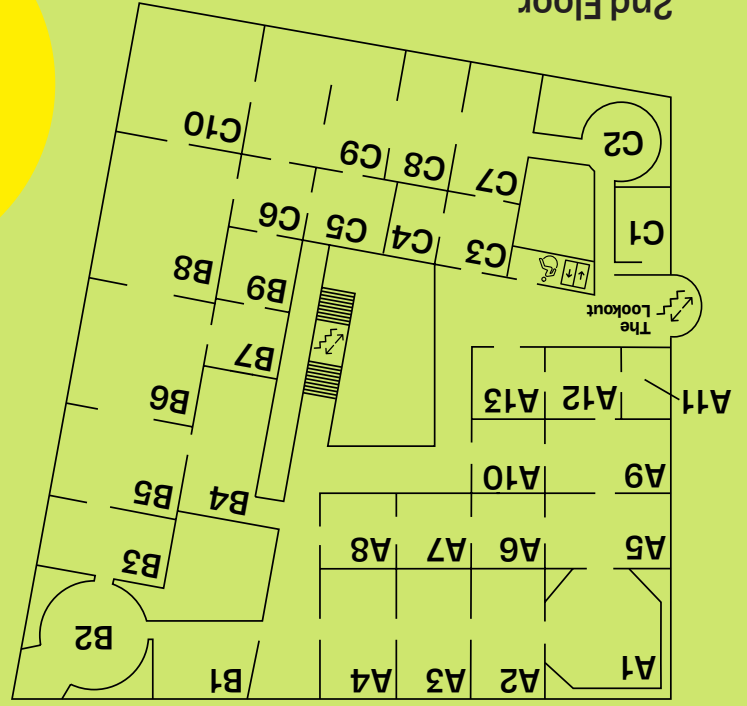
What do they remind you of? Imagine you're underwater. How would you move throughout this space? Copy the shape and movement of the sculpture with your body.

Take a look around. There are two works of art in this space. Can you find both? (Hint: one is white, and one is blue.)

Look at the artworks from different points of view. Go to a new location. Sit down, stand up, or even lie down. Go up and down the stairs. What do you see differently when you change perspectives?

Did you know?

In Ancient Rome, the atrium was a large room at the center of a house where families would gather together.



You'll begin on the ground floor of the Michener Gallery Building, but here's a map to help you find your way around the 2nd floor. Be sure to grab a Map & Guide for more info.

BLANTON MUSEUM OF ART

FAMILIES & GROUPS

What will you find inside?

This booklet is designed to guide you and your family through the museum. Explorers of any age can use the prompts, questions, and fun facts to enhance their experience in the galleries.

Throughout your time at the museum, we invite you to **be curious, ask questions, follow what catches your eye,** and most importantly, **have fun!**

The Grounds

The Blanton Grounds are full of interesting shapes. **Color in these shapes as you find them!**

- **Austin by Ellsworth Kelly**
Look for a white building with colorful windows.

- **Verde que te quiero verde by Carmen Herrera**
Look for a green and white mural.

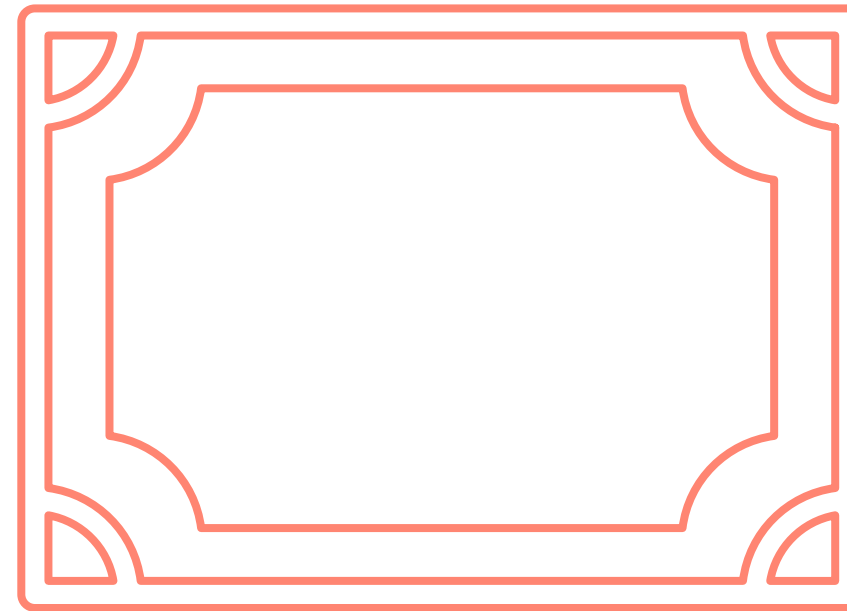
- **Butler Sound Gallery**
You have to listen for this one! What shapes do the pathways create?

- **HI by Kay Rosen**
Look for a blue mural with big letters.

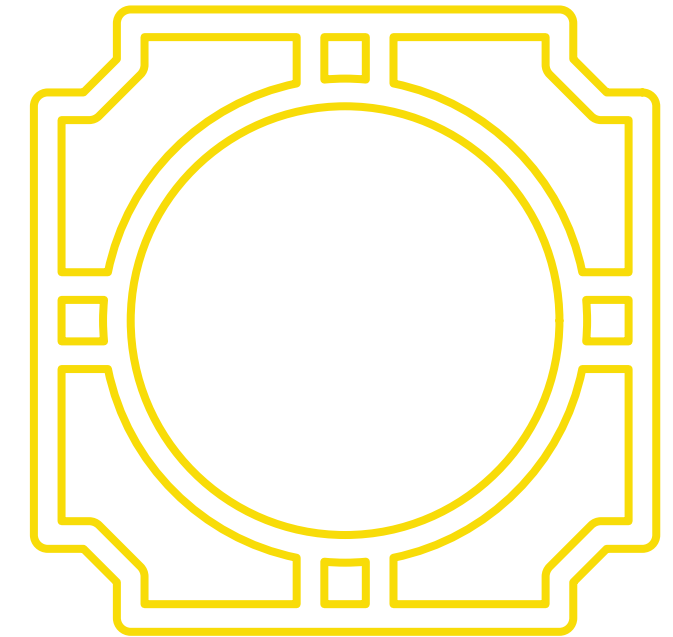


Create your own art gallery!

Work with your group to fill the frames below with artworks of your own. You might be inspired by something you saw today, or you may create something completely new.

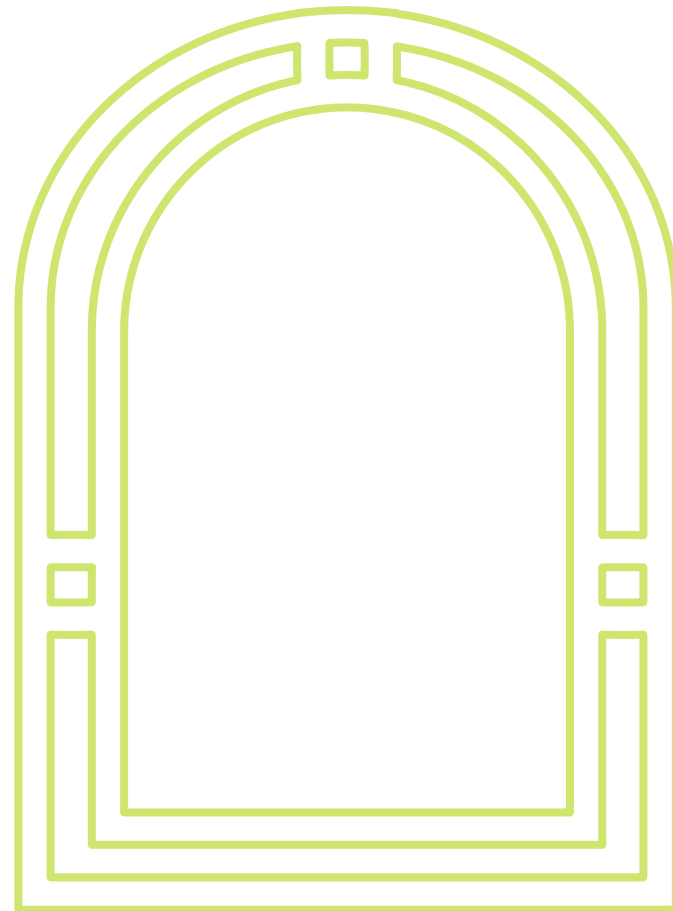


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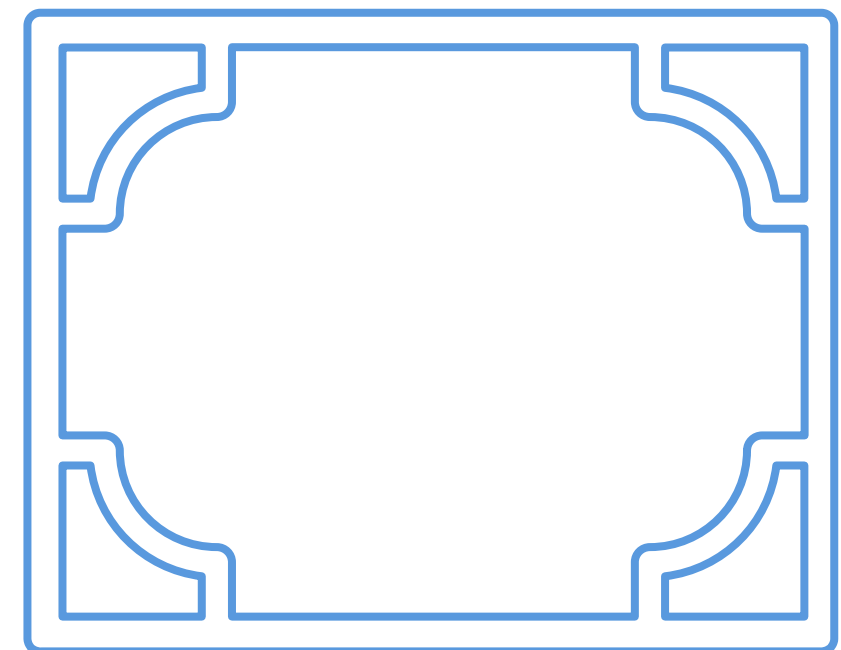


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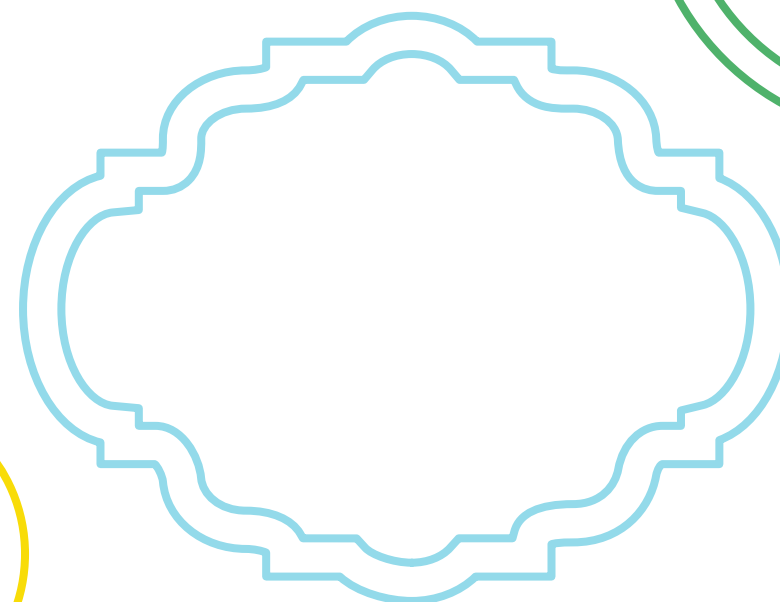


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