Workshop: From the artists soul: Sensory Arts Days

National Curriculum Links

KS1 Art & Design to use a range of materials creatively

- to use drawing, painting and sculpture to develop and share their ideas, experiences and imagination
- to develop a wide range of art and design techniques in using colour, pattern, texture, line, shape, form and space
- about the work of a range of artists, craft makers and designers, describing the differences and similarities between different practices and disciplines, and making links to their own work

KS2 Art & Design- to improve their mastery of art and design techniques, including drawing, painting and sculpture with a range of materials [for example, pencil, charcoal, paint, clay]

• To learn about great artists, architects and designers in history

KS1 &2 Literacy- give well-structured descriptions, explanations and narratives for different purposes, including for expressing feelings

- use spoken language to develop understanding through speculating, hypothesising, imagining and exploring ideas
- speak audibly and fluently with an increasing command of Standard English
- participate in discussions

Learning objectives	Session structure	Assessment for learning
To gain skills in observation	Introduction	
To learn how to engage with art on sensory level. To develop vocabulary to talk about a painting or object within the collection in greater detail	Children are introduced to a painting or object within the gallery and to the practice of 'slow looking'-a creative process that allows you to relax and focus on what you are looking at, helps develop your senses and is a way to connect with works of	Children will explore the chosen theme through observation, sensory activities and creative response.
To use collected vocabulary to create a poem To produce a creative response inspired by a work of art or object within the museum collection	art.	Children will come up with descriptive vocabulary
To develop techniques in drawing/painting/sculpture	Session activities	Children will have opportunities to respond and give feedback throughout the session.

To learn a technique (slow looking) that can
support mental wellbeing

Children explore paintings or objects from the museum collection, through a range of activities (activities can be adapted according to age and learning abilities)

There will be opportunities for Q&A at the end of the session.

Example activities:

Slow looking-Children look quietly and carefully at the art/object, guided by the facilitator to explore colours, shape, time of day, season, people, certain areas of the picture/object / foreground/background/middle ground.

Placing themselves in the picture- facilitator will ask questions to stimulate discussion, children will be encouraged to use their imaginations to discuss what they can see, hear feel etc. vocabulary will be collected

Roll for poetry- Words and phrases created by the children are collected and written onto paper and added to a dice. Children take turns to roll the dice to create a poem inspired by the painting or object.

Make a sensory scape- Students will work together to recreate the picture using props. The picture should be sensory and not only include the visual narrative, but the sounds, textures, and scents as well.

Individual creative response- create a picture/sculpture inspired by the artwork/object using a variety of art materials

Plenary

Children will be asked to reflect on the slow looking activities, they'll be asked how they feel about slow looking, if it helped them notice more about the artwork/object and helped inspire them to create their own artwork. Children will have the opportunity for Q&A and will be signposted to other places/ways to try slow looking??

	Children will share the poems aloud and create their own actions to accompany.	
Before your visit	After your visit	Key vocabulary
Visit Take One Treasure resources https://southshieldsmuseum.org.uk/learning/family-learning-activities	Continue your slow looking journey through Visiting Take One Treasure resources https://southshieldsmuseum.org.uk/learning/family-learning-activities	Slow looking, sensory, senses, foreground, background, middle ground, roll – for- poetry, relax,
Visit Ways to Play resources	And or Ways to Play resources	
https://southshieldsmuseum.org.uk/learning/family-activities	https://southshieldsmuseum.org.uk/learning/family-activities	
	Use the rolling for poetry technique to help explore other areas of the curriculum.	