

Painting Through History

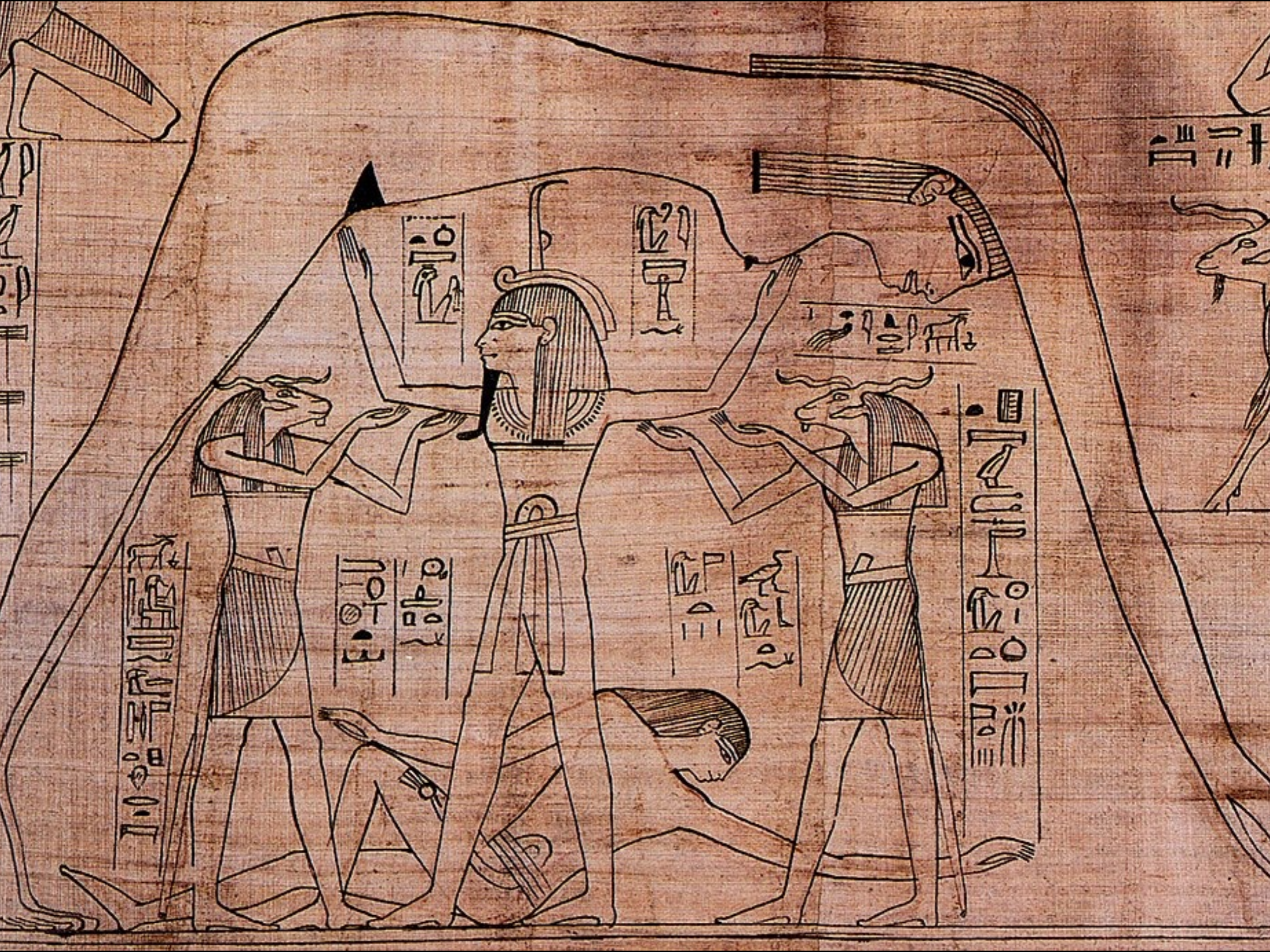
Artists' Inspirations for Kindergarten Projects

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Long, long ago, people carved and drew pictures on rocks.





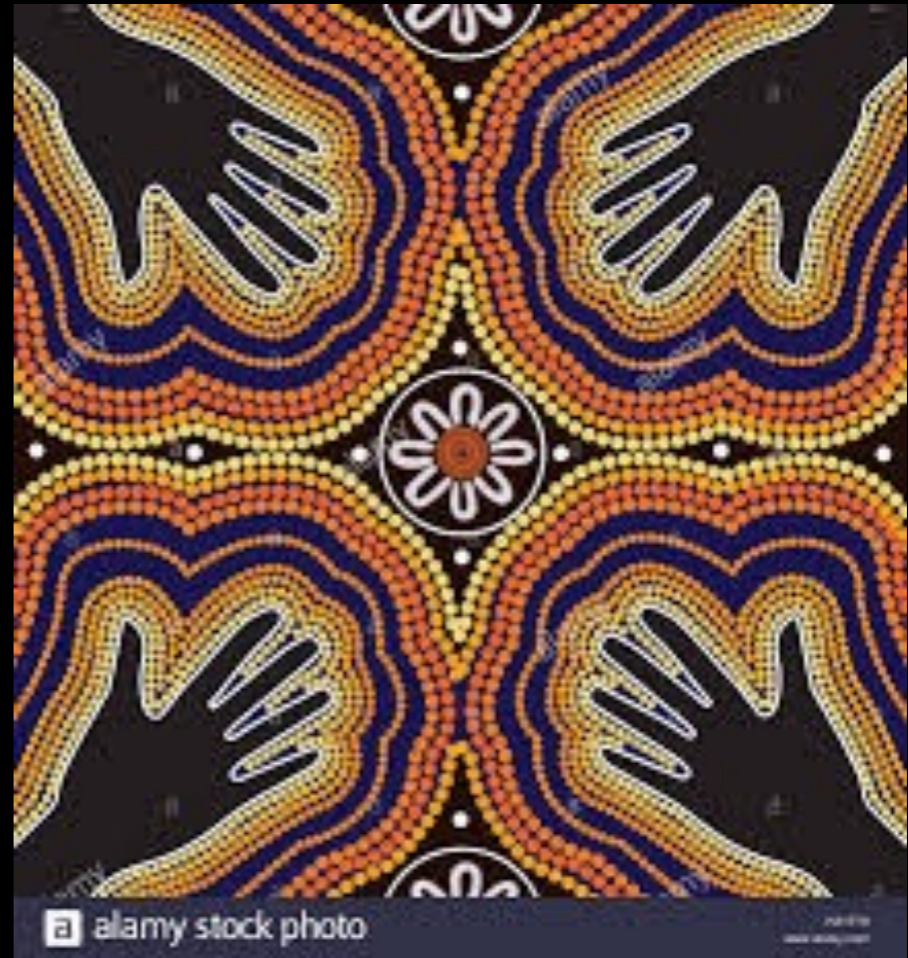


All over the world, people used pictures and symbols to share stories and ideas. Today, we can still see some of them!

In Australia, storytellers used to tell stories and draw in the dirt or on rocks to help listeners remember the characters.

Later, native people started making paintings that were like the dirt drawings. They used painted dots to make the pictures.





All over the world, as people started to have extra time, they started to decorate things by painting pictures on them. They painted on pottery, skins, bark, rock, walls, and then on paper and canvas.



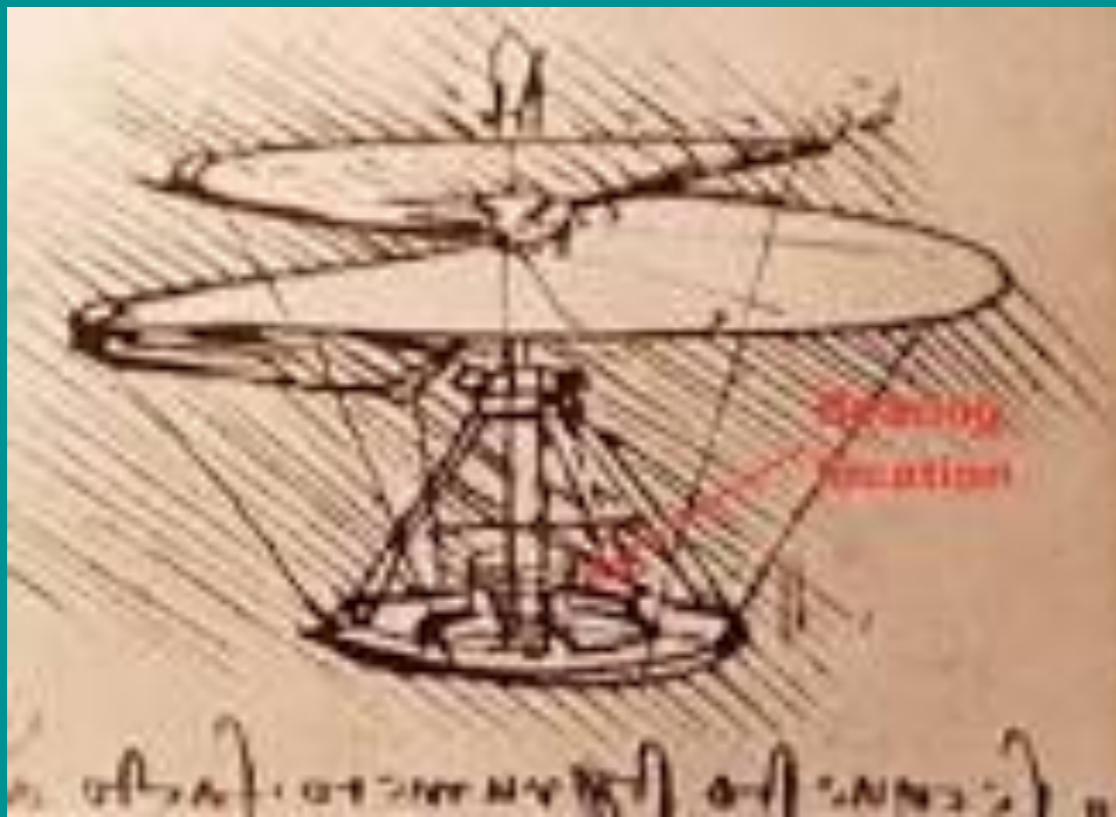
Let's talk about some
famous artists from
history!

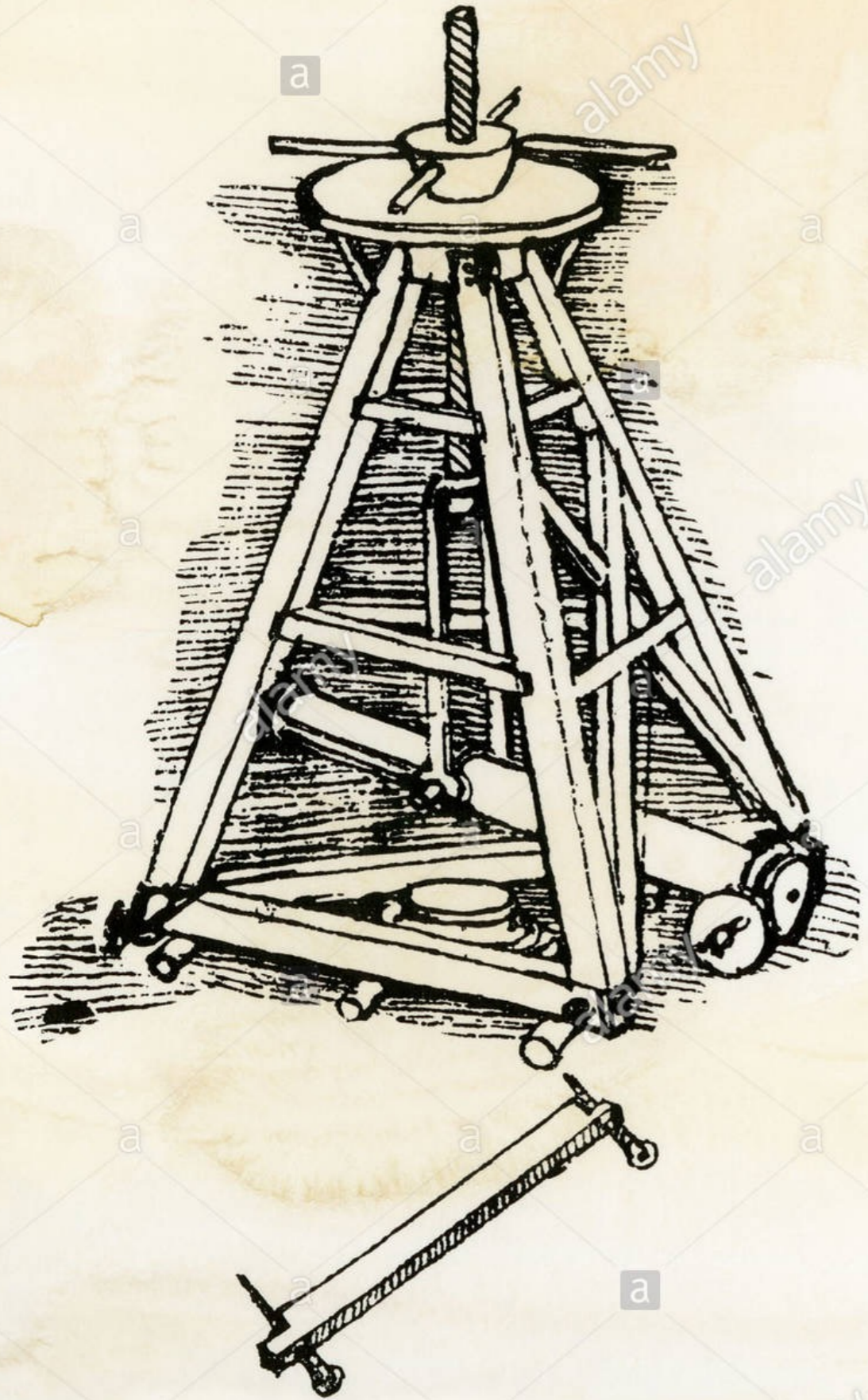
Leonardo DaVinci lived in Italy from 1452-1519.

That's almost 600 years ago! He was a scientist, inventor, and an artist. He painted a really famous portrait called "Mona Lisa".



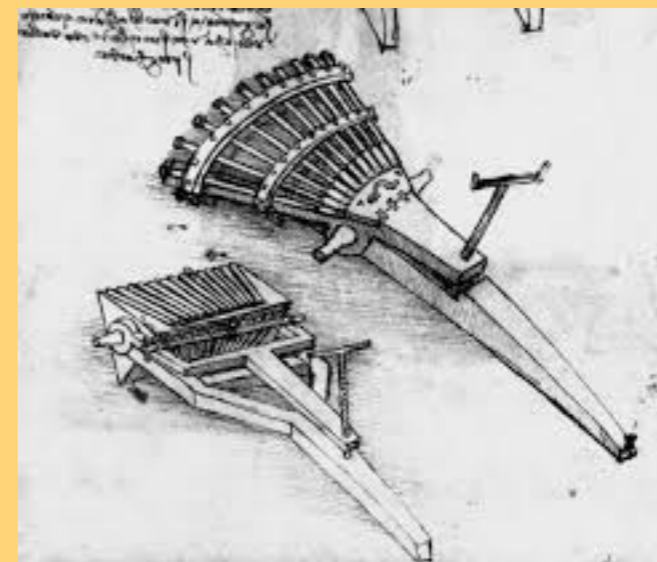
He used his artistic talent to make drawings of his inventions and of things he studied. He made drawings of animals and people to show how their bodies worked. He also made drawings of machines that looked like ones we have today!





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Albrecht Dürer lived in Germany from 1471-1528. He was a painter and a printmaker. He made prints by drawing pictures on wood, which were then carved out. Next, ink was rolled onto the cut wood. Finally, the paper and cut wood were pressed together to make a print. Dürer also carved pictures in flat metal to make prints.



Claude Monet

Claude Monet lived in
France from
1840-1926.



Monet was a painter and is famous because he didn't try to paint things exactly the way they looked! Earlier in history, painters usually tried to make their paintings like photos. Remember - there were NO cameras until the 1800's! Monet wanted to make his paintings different. He liked painting outside, and he used lots of brush strokes and lots of color. Sometimes his paintings even look a little blurry.



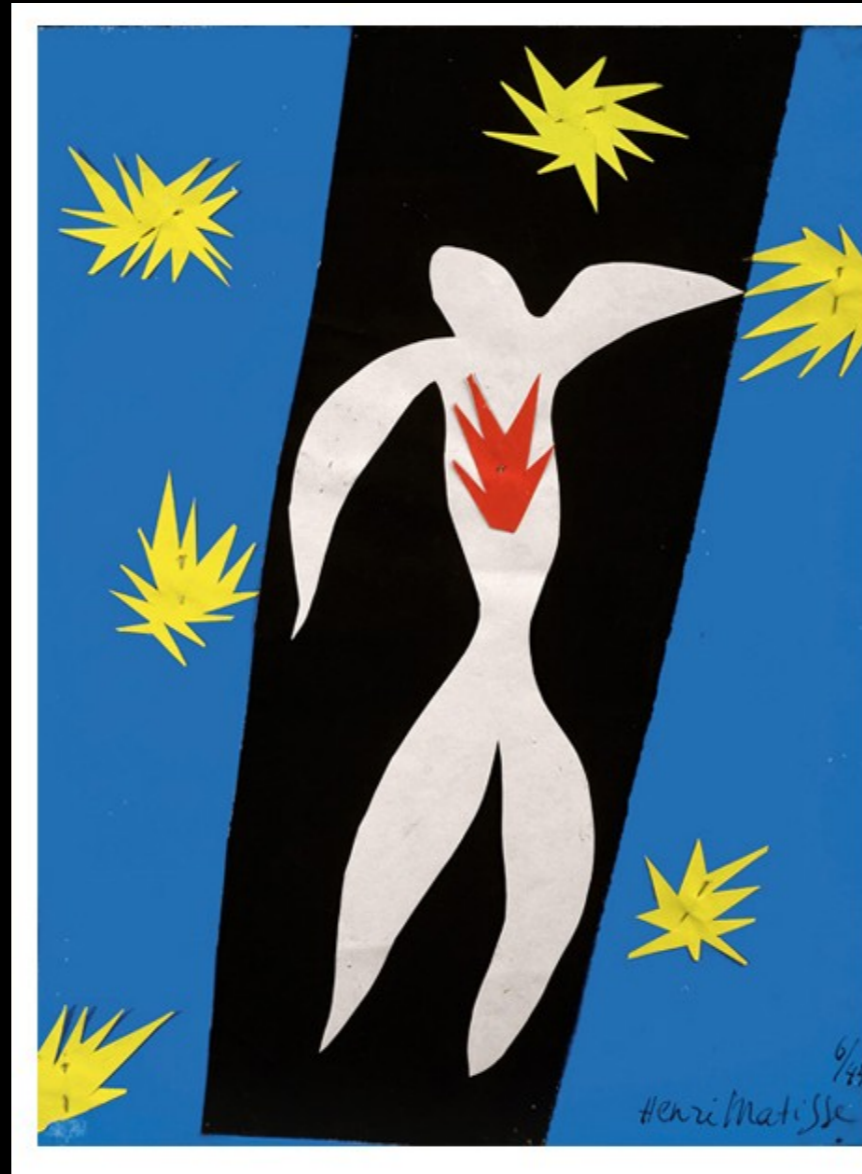


Henri Matisse
lived in France
from 1869-1954.

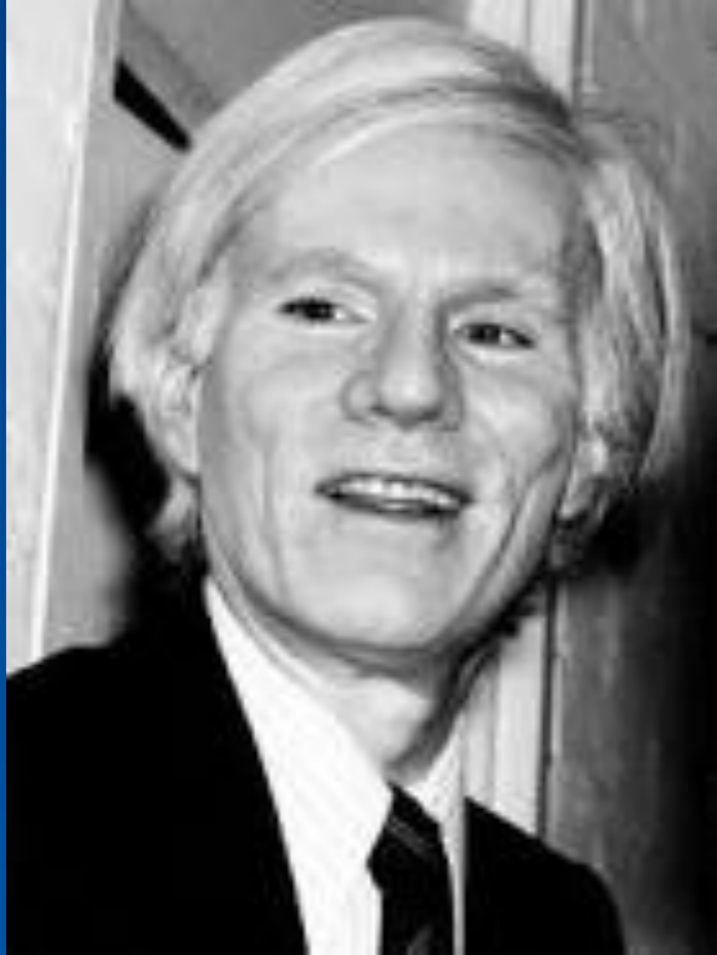




When Matisse was younger, he painted with lots of bright and bold colors. He painted people, objects, and outside scenes.



When he was older, Matisse got sick and he could not paint the way he had before. Instead, he started using scissors to cut out paper and painted shapes to make his art.



Andy Warhol was an American artist that lived from 1928-1987. He made art that is sometimes called “pop art” using bright cartoon colors and pictures of famous people and things from everyday life.





Georgia O'Keeffe was an artist that lived most of her life in the southwest part of the United States. She was born in 1887 and died in 1986. That means she lived about 100 years!!

Georgia O'Keeffe loved to walk around outside and make sketches even when she was a little girl. When she grew up, she painted some buildings in New York City. But her most famous paintings were flowers and landscapes in the desert.



Keith Haring

Keith Haring was an American artist that lived from 1958 until 1990. He made paintings that were like graffiti art. They were simple pictures with lots of black outlines and bright colors.



