



Visual Art Virtual Learning

Art 1 - Abstract Art

April 30, 2020

Art I

LESSON: April 30, 2020

**Objective/Learning Target: We will be learning about the artist
Jackson Pollock.**

Just a reminder...

Abstract Art

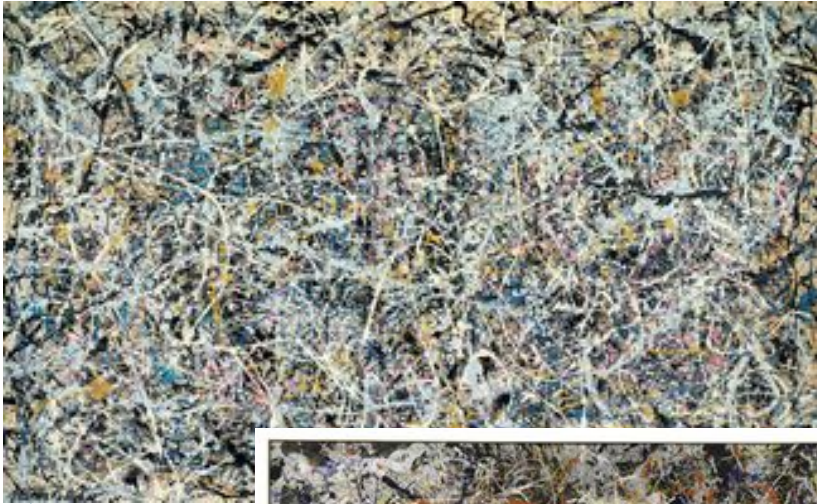
is modern art which does not represent images of our everyday world. It has color, lines and shapes, but they are not intended to represent objects or living things.



January 28, 1912 – August 11, 1956) Jackson Pollock was an American painter and a major figure in the abstract expressionist movement.

He was widely noticed for his technique of pouring or splashing liquid household paint onto a canvas. ==('drip technique'). This helped him to view and paint his canvases from all angles. It was also called 'action painting', since he used his whole body to paint, often in a dancing style. This extreme form of abstraction divided the critics: some praised the creativity of it, while others thought it was just random effects. In 2016, Pollock's painting titled *Number 17A* was reported to have fetched US\$200 million in a private purchase.

Pollock's Work



What are your opinions of this work?

Do you consider it artwork or not?

Why or why not?

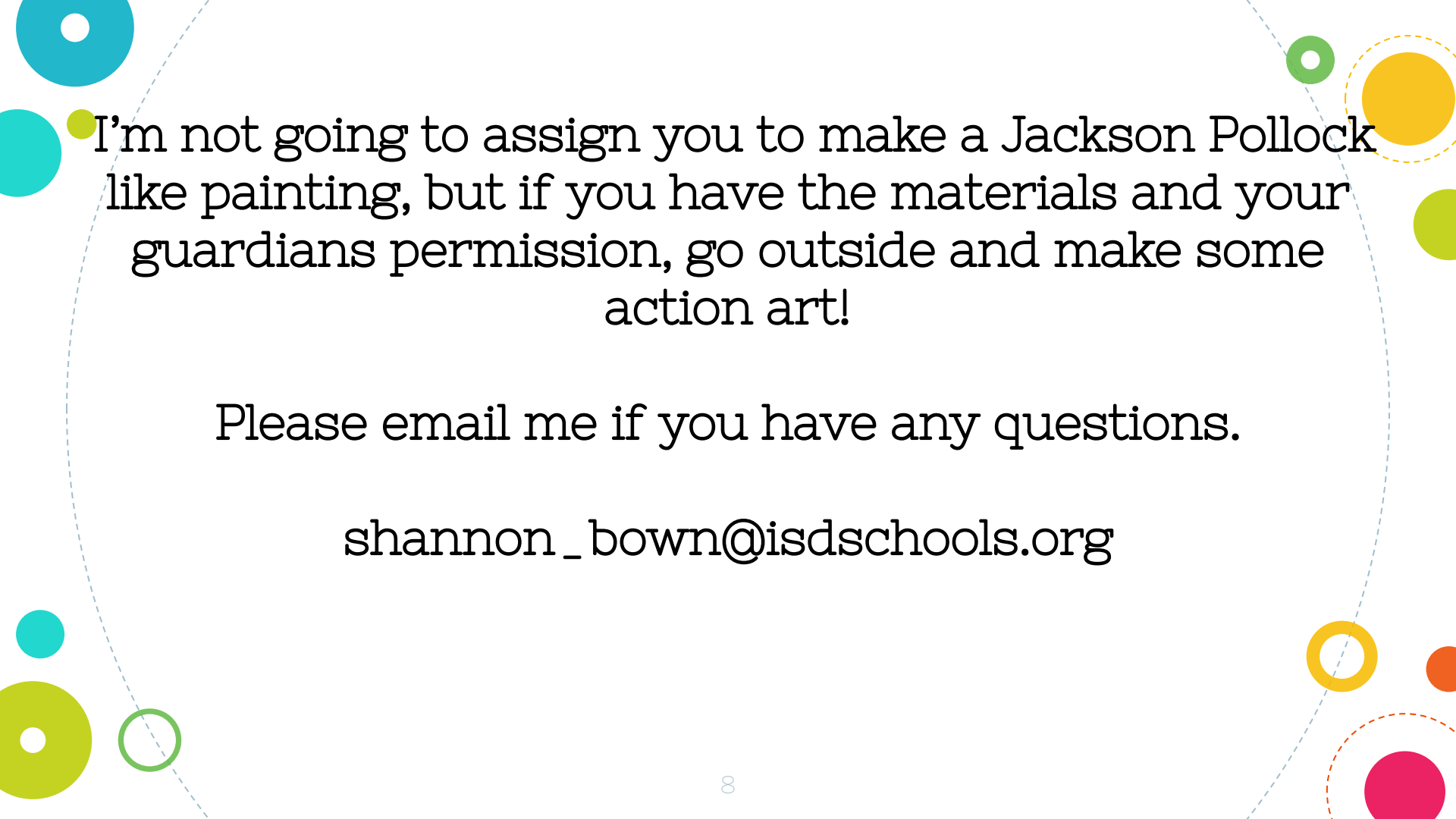
Watch this clip from one of my favorite movies Mona Lisa Smile. The beautiful Julia Roberts plays an Art History professor at an all girls university. Notice how she asks her students to consider it art.



After watching that clip, do you consider Jackson Pollock's paintings as artwork? Why or why not?



This video shows how Pollock made his action paintings.

The background features a large, light blue dashed circle. Scattered around this circle are various smaller circles in different colors: teal, yellow, green, orange, and pink. Some of these circles are solid, while others are hollow or have a dashed outline.

I'm not going to assign you to make a Jackson Pollock like painting, but if you have the materials and your guardians permission, go outside and make some action art!

Please email me if you have any questions.

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A decorative graphic consisting of a large, light blue dashed circle that frames the text. Various colored circles (solid and hollow) in shades of teal, green, yellow, orange, and pink are scattered around the perimeter of the dashed circle.

Have a great weekend!

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