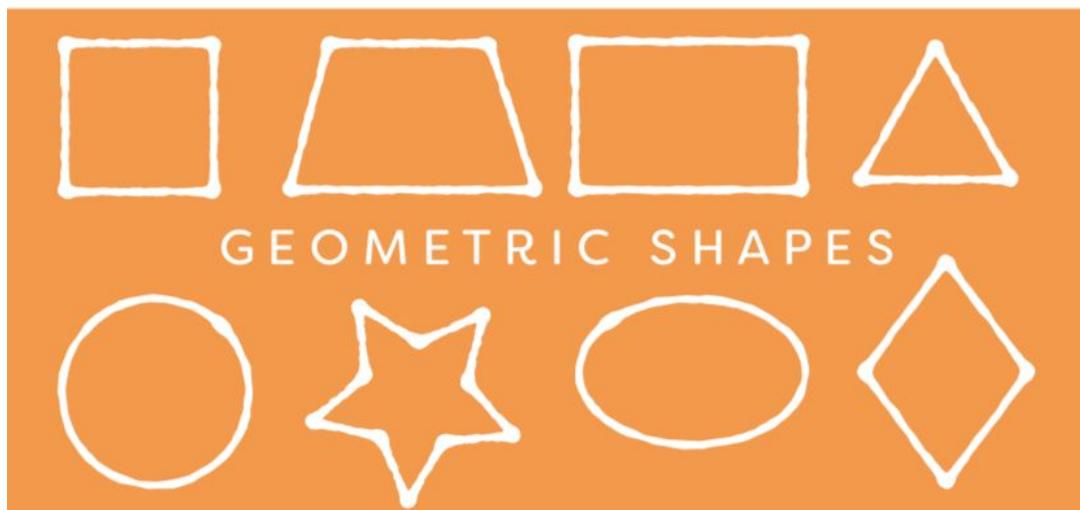
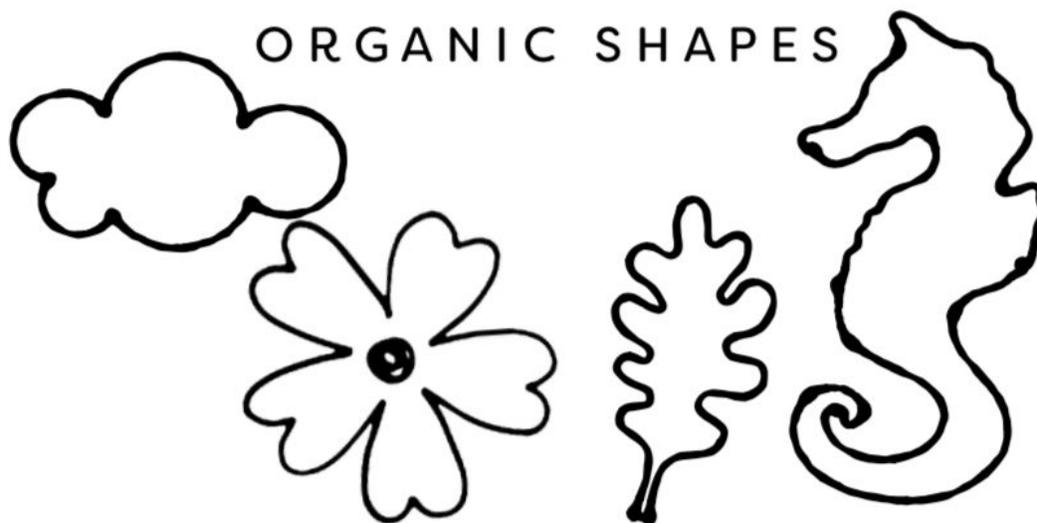


SHAPE is one of the Elements of Art! Artists use shape to create art. Shapes are flat, 2-dimensional areas, have height and width and are contained by a line. (Form is 3-dimensional, and we will learn about that soon).

There are GEOMETRIC shapes and ORGANIC shapes.

GEOMETRIC shapes are precise shapes. Examples of geometric shapes are triangles, circles, squares, trapezoids, parallelograms, ovals and rectangles. These shapes are mostly made by humans. We sometimes see these shapes in math and geometry!

ORGANIC shapes are free-form shapes. They are irregular and uneven shapes. Their outlines are curved and sometimes look like blobs or splotches. They are shapes we would see in nature. Examples of organic shapes are the shape of a leaf, a cloud, a seashell, a rain puddle, an animal, and flowers.

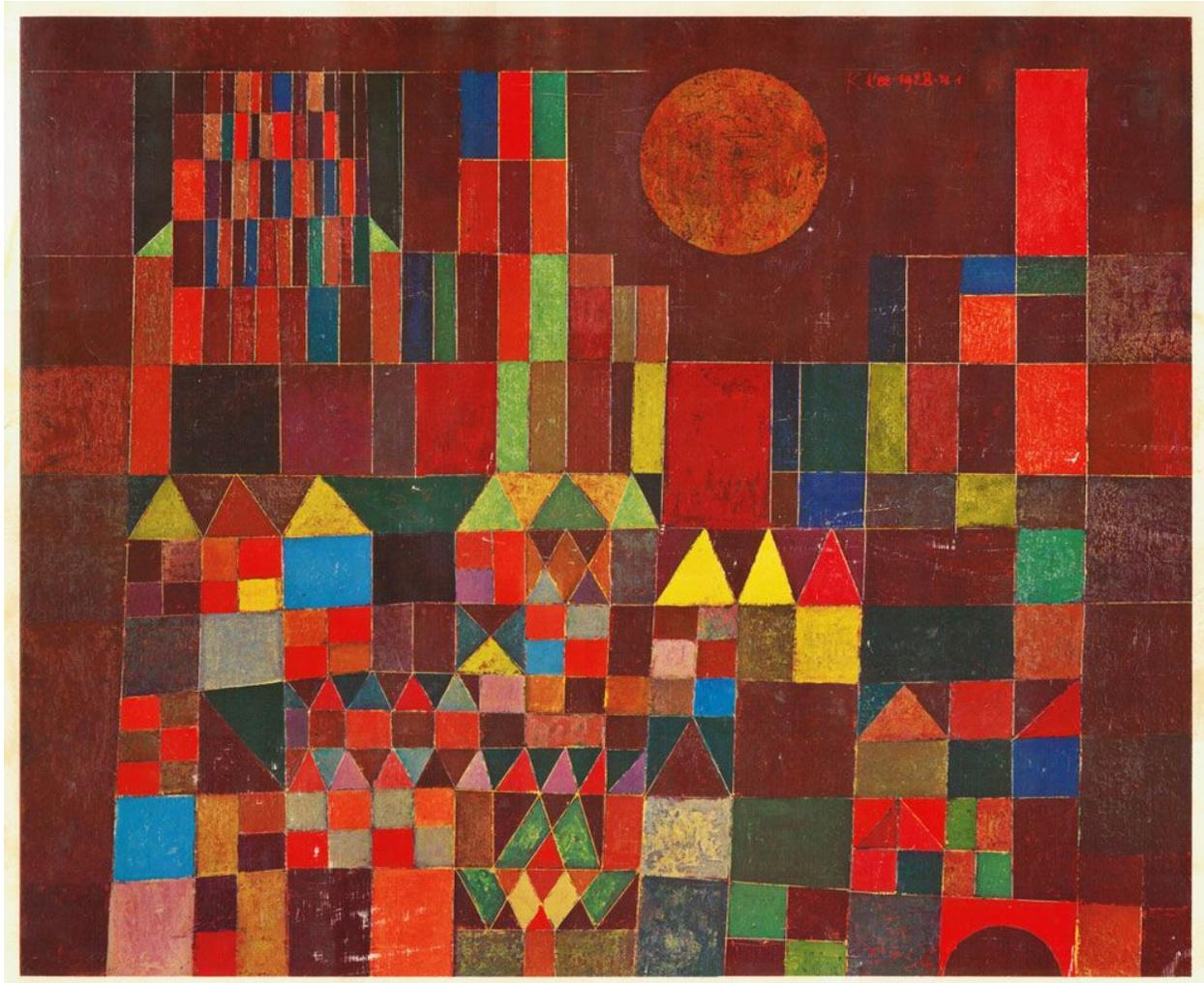


Artists use shape in their artwork. Can you see the shapes in this art?



Squares with Concentric Circles by Wassily Kandinsky 1913

These circles make great art! Make your own art inspired by Kandinsky! Start with a small circle and draw or paint circles around it! This is a fun way to use different colors too!



Castle and Sun by Paul Klee 1928

Look at these geometric shapes! Can you make your own castle using shapes? Can you make a picture of your house? Or a building like a skyscraper? You can cut out paper shapes or draw shapes! It's up to you! You are the ARTIST!



Three Musicians by Pablo Picasso 1921

These 3 figures were made from shapes! Can you make people just by using shapes? Yes, you can! If you don't want to make a person, try making a robot! Robots can be made from using lots of different shapes! Here are some fun robots made from paper shapes!



Idea from Art with Jenny K. website



The Parakeet and The Mermaid by Henri Matisse 1952

Here's a youtube video about Matisse. There is a fun project you can try at the end of the video!
You can make your own art with organic shapes using paper cutouts!

<https://youtu.be/hy4DUpsC22c>

shape

MORE IDEAS!

There are lots of fun things to do with SHAPES! Did you know you can use cookie cutters to create art? You can trace the shapes of the cookie cutters with a pencil and then color them in. You can overlap the shapes to create new shapes. You can also use a cookie cutter like a stamp and dip it in paint! (Ask your parents first!)

