

Art Knowledge Organiser - Sculpture

Artists: Benjamin Von Wong, Dennis Oppenheim

Summer 1

Key Vocabulary:

Sculpture: the art or craft of making statues or other objects by carving, chiselling, or moulding.

Photography: taking photographs can be a form of art in itself. Not all photographs are works of art, but some are. Artists may take photos, and then use editing software to add/remove detail, filters, or images of other things.

Activist art: this is a term used to describe art that is designed to represent or address political or social issues.

Benjamin Von Wong

Born 1986

Benjamin Von Wong is a Canadian artist, activist, and photographer. He creates pieces of artwork out of recycled materials, and uses his work to send messages about protecting the environment.



Dennis Oppenheim

1938-2011



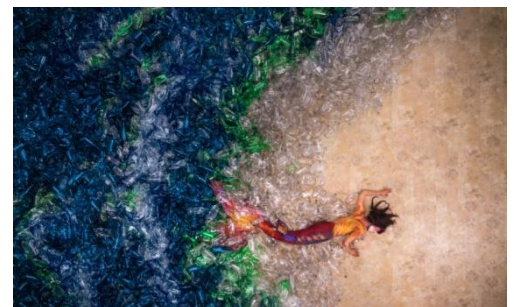
Dennis Oppenheim was an American artist, performance artist, sculptor and photographer. He created many large, public pieces of artwork, placing large sculptures in many places. He created sculptures about many different topics.



Dennis Oppenheim



Benjamin Von Wong



Key Knowledge:

- Activist art is art which is designed to have a message. It is meant to represent a political or social issue, such as climate change, or the over-use of plastic.
- Sculptures are 3D, and are made by one of four processes: carving, modelling, casting or constructing.
- Benjamin Von Wong and Dennis Oppenheim have both used sculpture. Dame Barbara Hepworth was also a famous British sculptor.
- Benjamin Von Wong has used recycled materials, such as plastic, to create his activist art.

Art Skills to develop:

- Use recycled, natural and manmade materials to create sculptures, confidently and successfully joining.
- Demonstrate awareness in environmental sculpture and found object art.