

ART SUNDAY AT HOME ACTIVITY: CREATE AN ADVENTURE STORY

Christina Cordero,
Midsummer Stories,
2013

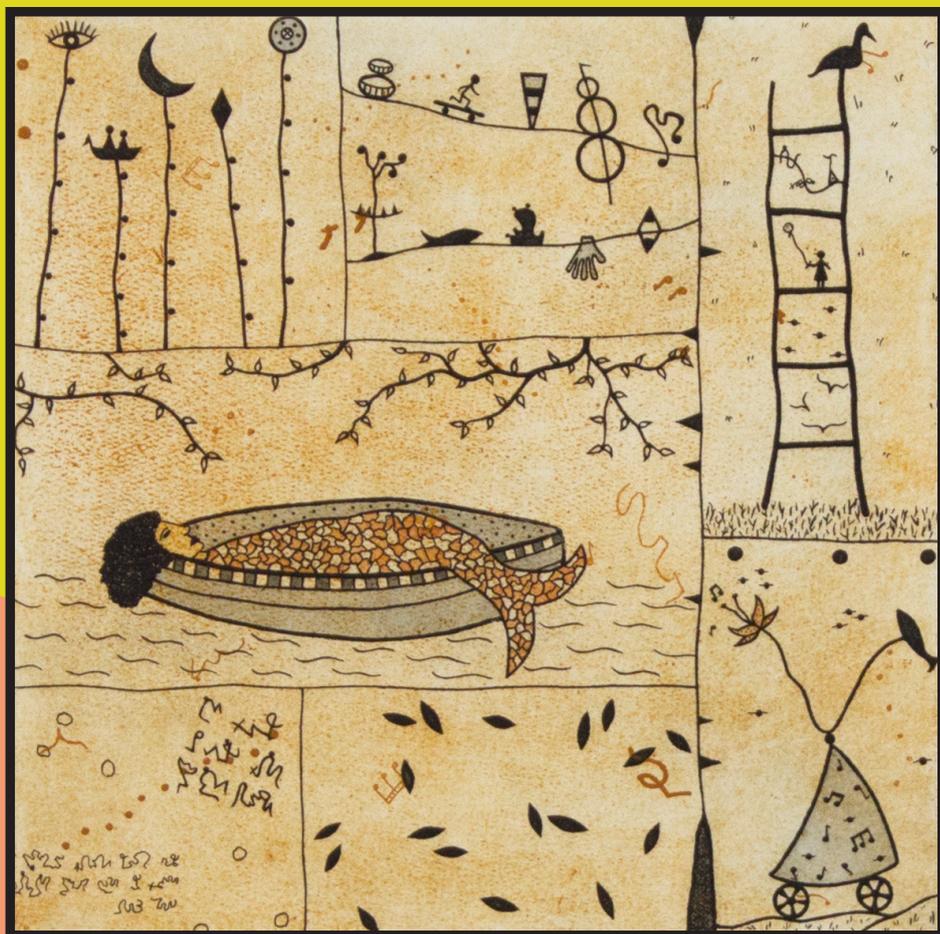
two plate etching, aquatint,
ink on paper, 24×24cm

Artist Christina Cordero is from the South American country Chile. She moved to Australia in 1973, almost 50 years ago. Christina gets her artistic inspiration from all the places she has travelled and explored during her life. She also is influenced by music and nature.

Christina said ...

"I like to listen to the whispers of the night,
to the music and the poems floating in the sky,
to the voices from within,
to the cries and the dreams buried in the sand,
to the songs falling from the clouds."

... This is what inspires her.



Look closely at Christina's artwork

- What can you see?
- How many people can you find?
- What do you think they are they doing?
- How many different animals can you find?
- What do you think the symbols and shapes in the artwork mean?
- Did you find the person on the skateboard?

Christina creates small images inside a larger frame, like you might see in a comic book or graphic novel. By looking at the artwork, can you imagine what *Midsummer Stories* might be about?

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STEPS

1. **THINK** about shapes, symbols and animals you might like to include in your artwork.
2. **START** with a piece of paper.
3. **ADD** some texture to your paper. Place your paper on a rough surface, like a concrete footpath and use a pencil or crayon to rub across the surface of your paper.
4. **DRAW** squares and rectangles on your paper, making sure all of the edges are touching. You can use a ruler, or create fluid lines like the artist.
5. **THINK** of a picture to draw in each box to illustrate your story. It's your story so you can include whatever you like.

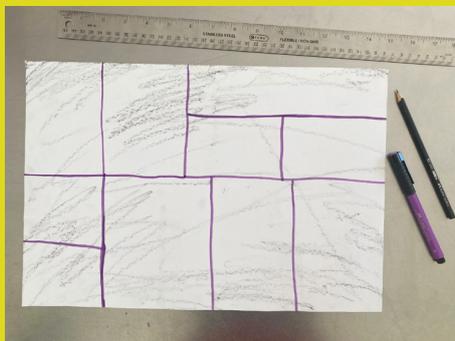
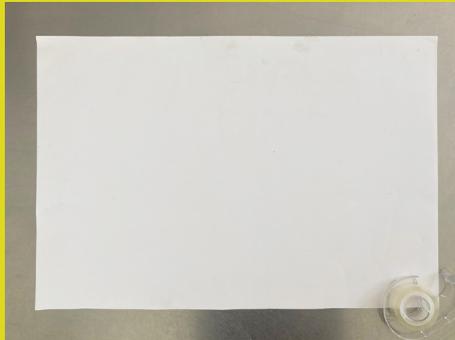
EXTRA

You can use scissors to cut out shapes or images from old magazines or coloured paper.

Materials you will need:

Paper and pencil.

Optional - tape, texta, crayon, ruler, glue, scissors, colour paper, old magazines



Take it a step further!

You might like to continue the story in another artwork or series of artworks.

You could create an artist book from your story by stapling or threading your pages together.

IF YOU ENJOYED IMAGINING WHAT MIDSUMMER STORIES IS ABOUT YOU MIGHT LIKE TO WRITE YOUR STORY DOWN. YOU CAN ALWAYS ASK AN ADULT TO HELP YOU WITH WRITING.

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