



# Yayoi Kusama

## Women's History Month

Yayoi Kusama is a Japanese contemporary female artist, whose work is based in conceptual art and shows some attributes of feminism, minimalism, surrealism, pop art, and abstract expressionism. She has been acknowledged as one of the most important living artists from Japan, and is best known for her work using bright colors and polka dots!

### Materials:

- Egg cartons
- Cotton balls
- Qtips
- Bottle caps



Gather from around your house objects that would make a circle or dot if painted. You name it! Get creative! Explore circular objects in different sizes and textures around you and gather as many as you can.



Gather supplies. You'll need a sheet of construction paper, different colored paint, a paintbrush, a clothes pin (optional for creating a handle) and the "dot makers" you gathered from around the house.



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Start with a small object and dip it into the paint. You can use the clothes pin to create a handle for easy dipping.

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Stamp the object onto your sheet of paper. To ensure the dot is nice and round, twist it in a circular motion so that the paint spreads evenly across the paper.

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Stamp and dot in different places on your paper. Remember to spin it around when you stamp so it's nice and even.

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Continue to add dots using different objects and colors until the page is full of dots.



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You can leave an even amount of space between dots or overlap them and explore what happens to colors when they mix.

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Leave your painting out to dry and you're all done!

Have Fun!

