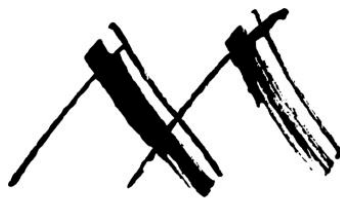


Michigan Legacy Art Park  
Youth Activity Guide:

## *Textures and Patterns*



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**Texture:** the surface of a material that can be experienced through touch.

**Welcome to Michigan Legacy Art Park. You can complete the activities on the first three pages as you hike the trails.**

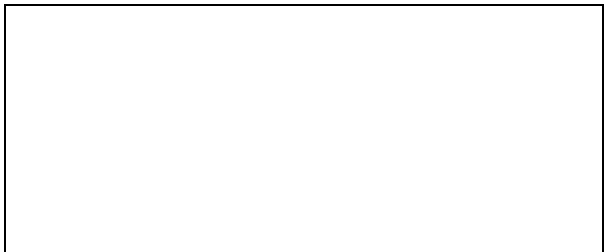
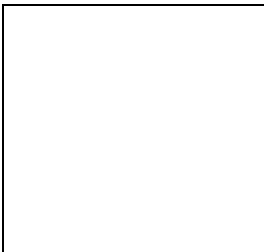
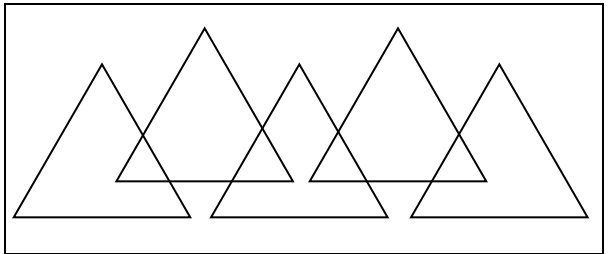
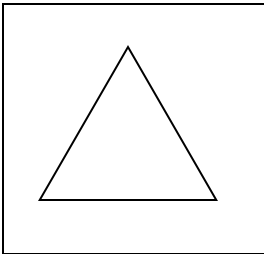
Use the space below to create a texture drawing. Lay your paper on an object, such as the bark of a tree. Rub a small area of the paper with the side of a pencil or crayon and see the texture appear. Repeat this with other objects until you are happy with the way your drawing looks.

**Pattern:** a design with repeated shapes.

### Turning shapes into patterns

As you walk the trail draw different shapes you see in the small squares below. These can be shapes you see in the artwork or in nature.

In the rectangles, repeat the shapes several times to create a pattern. See our example below.



**When you see the sculptures listed below think about their texture.**

Write what you think is the dominate texture.

It could be bumpy, scratchy, coarse, sharp, silky, slimy, smooth, hard, soft, lumpy, spongy, or think of a texture yourself.

*Frog*

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*Robins eggs*

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*Ontonagon*

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*Red Demon*

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*Diversity*

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*Serpent Mound*

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*Bonnet*

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*Michigan*

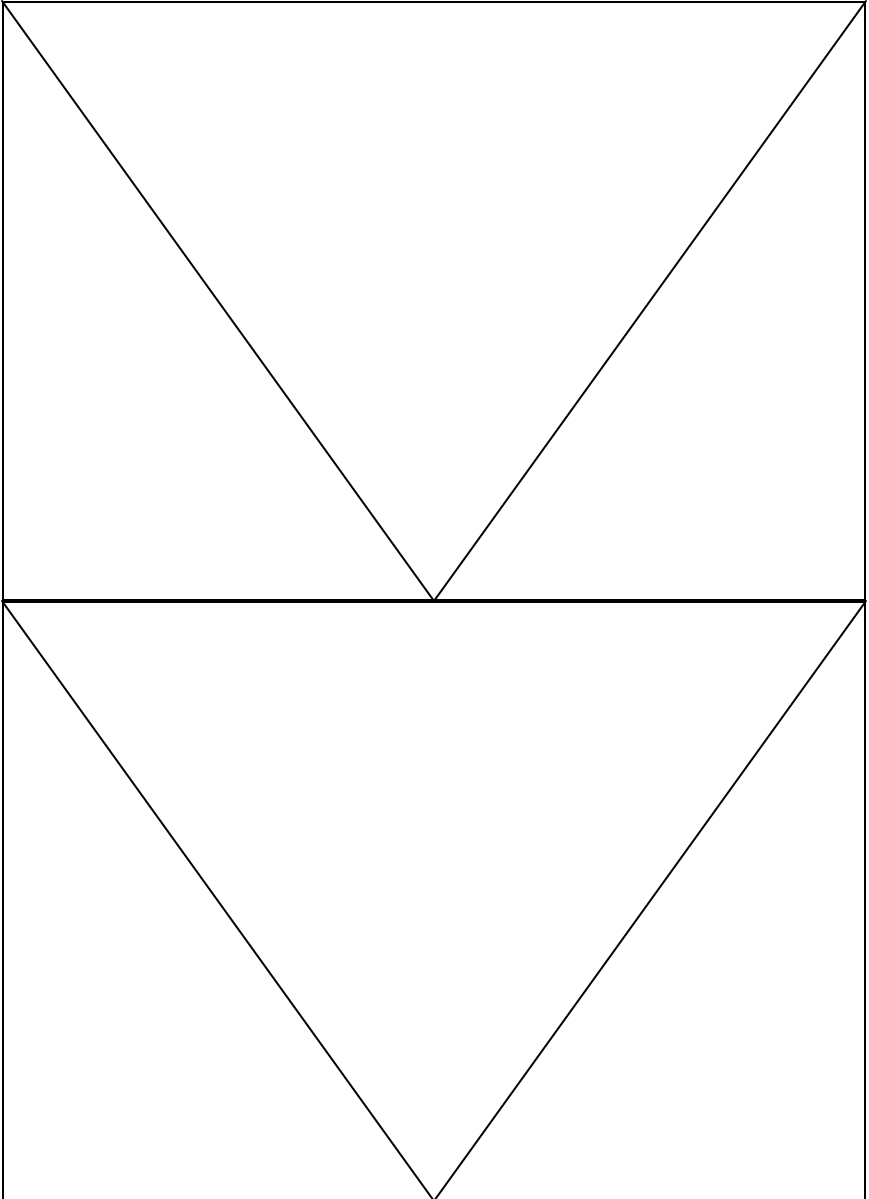
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**Feeling Inspired? Try these things at home!**

Below is the pattern for a quilt square the pioneers used to make "Flying Geese" quilts.

Fill in each section of the rectangle with your own patterns.



Fill in the drawing of *Serpent Mound* with different patterns.

## Texture and Pattern Word Search

f y o y s h a r p d w t y s j  
f a m r h z q u r h s q c z c  
i r t e d d f a s i l r g q l  
t w s b a p h t t e a c o p p  
s f c b y s i r e t r f j z e  
n l u u g c a s c o a r s e p  
x u l r k o d h h y l l x o a  
h f p y s u y b r a g n w o h  
d f t n r e t t a p g n d k s  
f y u p h y r s o f t g o r p  
u w r f p g l u t o n f y p y  
r e e m l i u h t o o m s a s  
r t u u m a z o f x y p m u l  
y b y y h w k t r t e u t b j  
x d j k w a k y m i w t r p p

artist

pattern

smooth

bumpy

rough

soft

coarse

rubbery

spongy

dry

scratchy

sticky

flaky

sculpture

stiff

fluffy

shaggy

texture

furry

shape

wet

hard

sharp

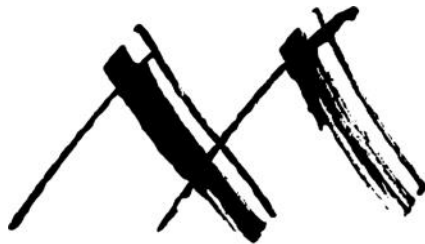
lumpy

slimy

**You can continue to create artwork using textures and patterns. Here are some ideas:**

1. Create a texture drawing of things in your house or yard by putting paper on objects and gently rubbing. Fill the paper with as many textures as you need to complete the drawing. Be careful not to get the pencil or crayon on the object being rubbed.
2. Explore your home and yard for shapes. Then repeat these shapes in various ways to create patterns. Draw a picture and use these patterns in the drawing.
3. Use your imagination to take a trip back in time. Draw a picture of a logging camp. What shapes do you think were present in this camp? Repeat these shapes to create patterns. Fill in your drawing using these patterns.

***Thanks for visiting—come again!***



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