

ARTIST OF THE MONTH

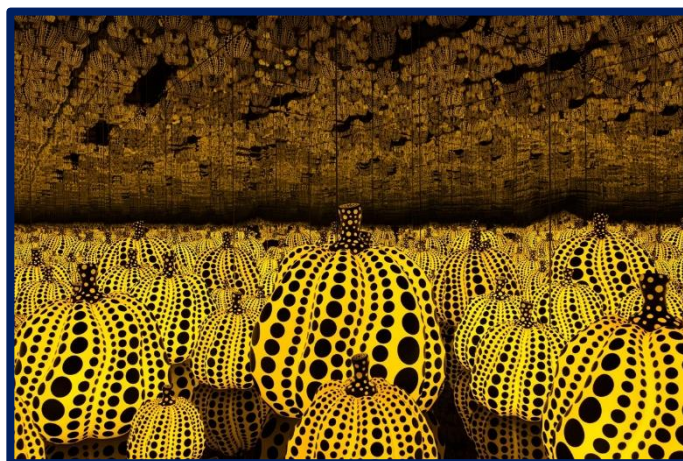
Artist of the month is a competition that runs in school. Each month we look at a different artist and their work, children can then respond to this artist by either creating a picture, taking a photograph, writing a story, doing some research or a different response that inspires them. Mrs Britten our Art and Design subject lead shares the artist of the month via the school art notice board. The artist of the month winner will be announced in an assembly at the end of each month.

To enter you need to respond to the artist however you choose. Put your entry into the basket next to the art cabinet next to the staff room or email it to enquiries@williamgilbertend.derbyshire.sch.uk with the title 'Artist of the Month'.

This month's artist is: **Yayoi Kusama**



Yayoi Kusama - Fruit (1996)



All the Eternal Love I Have for the Pumpkins, 2016

Yayoi Kusama is a Japanese artist who is sometimes called 'the princess of polka dots'. Although she makes lots of different types of art – paintings, sculptures, performances and installations – they have one thing in common, DOTS!

By adding all-over marks and dots to her paintings, drawings, objects and clothes she feels as if she is making them (and herself) melt into, and become part of, the bigger universe. She said:

'Our earth is only one polka dot among a million stars in the cosmos. Polka dots are a way to infinity. When we obliterate nature and our bodies with polka dots, we become part of the unity of our environment.'

Why not create your own dotty piece of artwork to share with us at school or try the activity following the QR link below.



Can you have a go and create your own piece of 'dotty' art?

Put your entries into the basket outside the staff room or email it to school.

Scan the QR code to take you to a fun activity at the Tate Art Gallery – to create a fun Yayoi Kusama piece of art.

