Today’s Featured Activity: Land Art

Why not use the ground around you as your canvas and create some land art?! This temporary, low-impact art form has been made famous by artists like Andy Goldsworthy (pictured above). Let’s take some inspiration from Andy’s art! You can make beautiful outdoor art using natural items that you can find all around you.

- The next time you’re on a nature walk, bring a container to collect things like leaves, pebbles, sticks, acorns, and flowers that you are drawn to based on their color, shape, or texture (an egg carton works well to keep things organized).
- Try to collect only things that are on the ground, but if you’d like to collect things like flowers be sure to ask your parent or guardian if it’s okay, and make sure it’s not the only flower around. Dandelions are a great flower to use in nature art!
- Find a place to create your art. If you don’t have time to do this on your walk, bring your items home and set up an area in your yard or on a sidewalk.
- Using your gathered materials create different patterns, shapes, portraits or
other designs. There are good examples in this video.

Be sure to take pictures or draw your creations in your journal, the point of this type of art is that it doesn’t stick around forever!

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