

“WHO ARE YOU THINKING OF?”

This activity asks students to create an art piece inspired by a specific individual, alongside a handwritten message to that person. Artists will explore open-ended drawing and the technique of stippling visual representations of the person who they have selected.

AGE: 12+

TIMEFRAME: 30-45 minutes

SUPPLIES NEEDED:

- Postcard Template on Cardstock
- Sharpie or Pen
- Washable Markers
- Watercolors + Brush (optional)

VALUES:

- Respect yourself + each other
- Respect your space + materials
- Respect your art + express yourself



Watch the video tutorial at <https://youtu.be/rghWhYQurD4>

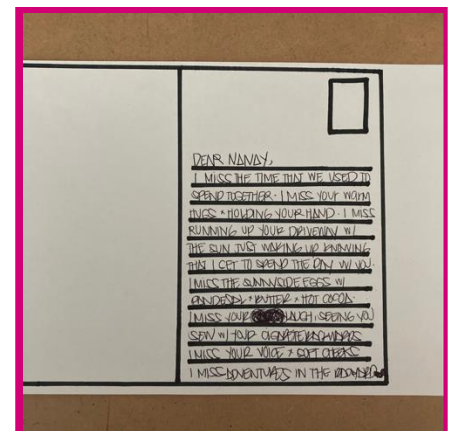
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Prep all materials and art space. Supplies needed are listed above.



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Who are you thinking of? Take time to reflect on an individual that has been on your mind lately? Who do you miss? Who do you think about often? Using the right side of the postcard template, begin to write a message to that individual. Let them know that you've been thinking about them. Write about things you miss about them or discuss the future.



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Create art inspired by the individual you are thinking of. Using the left side of the postcard, within the rectangle, create art that reminds you of that person. Start with a drawing of their face or their name. Think about words or objects that can reflect who they are or what you miss about them. What are their favorite things or colors? What are some sayings they may have shared with you? Write about memories that you miss.



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Explore different art techniques within your work based on the feelings that arise when you think about this person. For example: What colors come to mind when you think of them? Try out the process of stippling using your markers. Stippling is created by using numerous dots to fill a space – far apart and close together. Experiment with this technique and see what you can do with it!

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After you have finished creating your art-inspired piece, take a moment to add any details or make any refinements.

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Place your art piece in a safe place or share it with others. Artists often create art on ordinary objects - like a postcard. As a work of art, you do not need to send this work through the mail. If inspired to do so, consider sending it to the individual you are thinking of.

HOW WAS IT?

Thank you for taking part in this activity! Do you have any suggestions or questions you'd like to share with us at the Museum? Email education@thinkplaycreate.org.

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