

# **UNDERWATER ART**

Create and sketch a coral garden and draw incredible creatures.

Extend your skills by practicing imaginative drawing and drawing from life using our interesting private collection.

Our collection has been donated by past collectors or has been ethically sourced in-line with our principles as a conservation charity.

This practical workshop covers both imaginative drawing and drawing from life, and allows students to extend their skills as they work with our diverse collection of marine life resources.

The Deep can supply HB pencils & A4 copy paper, but you are welcome to bring your own drawing materials too.







Art

40 Minutes

## **OBJECTIVES**

Make a detailed observational drawing from life.

Work collaboratively to make a visually attractive display.

Draw a cartoon version of a marine animal as part of an imaginative drawing.

### **WORKSHOP CONTENT**

First we introduce The Deep as a marine conservation and educational charity. We then take a brief look at the origins of our collection (either donated by past collectors or ethically sourced by The Deep). There will be coral skeletons, shark teeth, tropical shells, shark egg cases, crab skeletons and lobster skeletons available to draw.

Students are split into two groups, changing activities half way through.

#### **Drawing from Nature:**

Shark jawbone? Coral skeleton? Or maybe a beautiful tropical shell? Choose one piece, look closely, then make a detailed observational drawing. Use a magnifying glass to get an even better close-up. If you have time, choose & draw another item.

#### Coral Garden:

Work together in twos or threes to make your own coral garden using contrasting shells and pebbles together with our colourful scientific grade replica coral. Make a sketch of your arrangement. Then choose one model animal and create a cartoon version to live in your coral garden.

We are happy for you to take photographs during the workshop. These photographs together with the workshop drawings could be used as source materials for further work.