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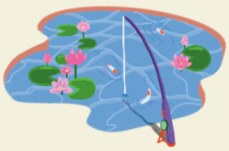
Illustrate Paper Stickers

WITH SUYEON PARK



About Suyeon

Melbourne-based artist Suyeon Park is a Korean-Australian illustrator and graphic designer. Her illustrations explore notions of cultural identity, childhood memories and the importance of a positive outlook.

What is an illustrator?

An illustrator is responsible for creating two-dimensional images to communicate ideas. Illustrators work for clients such as advertisers, brands, magazines, and publishers. Their work appears across different formats including books, signage, packaging, websites, and flyers.

1

Get inspired

Suyeon produces art that she intends to create a feeling of tranquility and jolliness. Spend some time looking at examples of art and illustration. What images do you like? Why do you like them? What sort of feelings or emotions do they inspire?

2

Decide on your subject

What stories do you want to tell through your illustration? You might like to consider everyday objects, a favourite memory or something you have seen today. Suyeon likes to illustrate the happiest memories of her childhood, especially those from Korea. What is special to you? What makes you happy?

3

Experiment with style

Draw your subject a few times and try to make your illustrations look as different as possible. You could use heavy thick lines, or thin whispy lines, bright colours or only one colour. Suyeon includes many details in her illustrations and experiments with objects, figures, colours and shapes.

4

Refine Your illustration

Choose your favourite illustration and repeat it a few times to refine your technique. When you are happy with the finished product, re-create it on sticker paper.

WHEN I FIRST STARTED MY JOURNEY AS AN ILLUSTRATOR, I WOULD DRAW ON PAPER WITH PENCILS AND SCAN THE FINAL PRODUCT INTO A DIGITAL FORM.

I PREFER TO APPROACH MY WORK FROM A PERSONAL WAY WITH FEELING. I THINK WHEN ILLUSTRATION BENDS OR BREAKS THE TRADITIONAL TECHNICAL RULES IT BECOMES MORE VISUALLY INTERESTING.

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