

Minecraft Ed: Influential Artists

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Learning from Michelangelo

Goal: To learn about the famous artist Michelangelo, explore one of his masterpieces (the Sistine Chapel), and start practicing creating your own "fresco-style" artwork using Minecraft.

Here's what you'll do:

Part 1: Explore and Plan

- **Get Ready to Learn:** Your teacher will introduce Michelangelo and explain that you'll be learning about him today. Michelangelo is known for incredibly famous works like the Sistine Chapel ceiling and the statue of David.
- **Enter the Minecraft World:** You will go into the special "Influential Artists World" in Minecraft Education Edition.
- **Find Michelangelo's Area:** Navigate to the section of the world dedicated to Michelangelo.
- **Learn from the Master:** In the Minecraft world, Michelangelo himself will tell you about his life and his major work, like the Sistine Chapel. Pay attention to what he shares!
- **Explore the Masterpiece:** You'll get to explore a representation of his masterpiece (like the Sistine Chapel) inside the Minecraft world. Take a look at the art and the scale of it.

What are some important things you learned about Michelangelo's life and his work (like the Sistine Chapel) from exploring in Minecraft?

Explain what a fresco is based on what you've learned:

What techniques did Michelangelo use that the lesson mentions?

- **Get Inspired to Create:** After exploring, you will have the chance to practice creating your *own* fresco. Think about what subject or scene you might want to create.
- **Sketch Your Idea:** Before you start building anything in Minecraft, take out your sketchbook and sketch your idea for the fresco you want to create. This helps you organize your thoughts and plan your artwork.

Have you made a sketch or plan for the fresco you will create? _____

What subject or idea have you chosen to capture in your fresco? _____

- **Start Building in Minecraft:** Begin designing and building your planned fresco inside the designated area in the Minecraft world. Use the blocks available to bring your sketch to life.
- **Use Your Sketch:** Refer back to the sketch you made in your sketchbook. It's your guide for your Minecraft build.
- **Channel Your Inner Michelangelo:** As you work, try to think like an artist. How can you use the blocks to best represent your subject and design? This is where you "channel your inner Michelangelo".
- **Develop Your Ideas:** Continue to develop your artistic ideas as you build. Use appropriate methods within Minecraft to create your artwork.