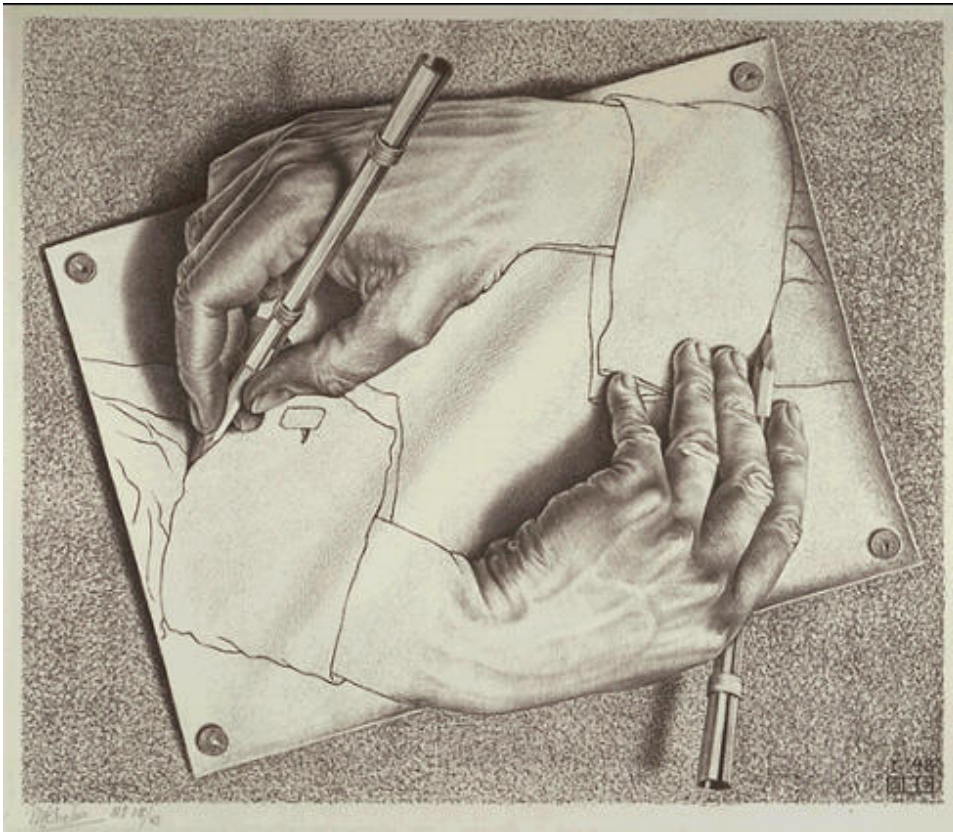


Op Art Shapes

**When something plays tricks on your eyes
it is called an Optical Illusion...**

Op Art is artwork that plays tricks on our eyes.



Students will view examples of "Op Art" (The art of optical illusions) and become familiar with the artist M.C. Escher. They will discuss the different ways that art can "fool the eye" and "play tricks with your eyes". They will create their own Op Artwork by using markers, rulers, and geometric shapes. They will also learn about color contrast, and will choose colors that are either high or low contrast. This project challenges students to create a complex pattern of colors that alternates from shape to shape. It also gives students a chance to practice their fine motor skills by coloring within the lines.

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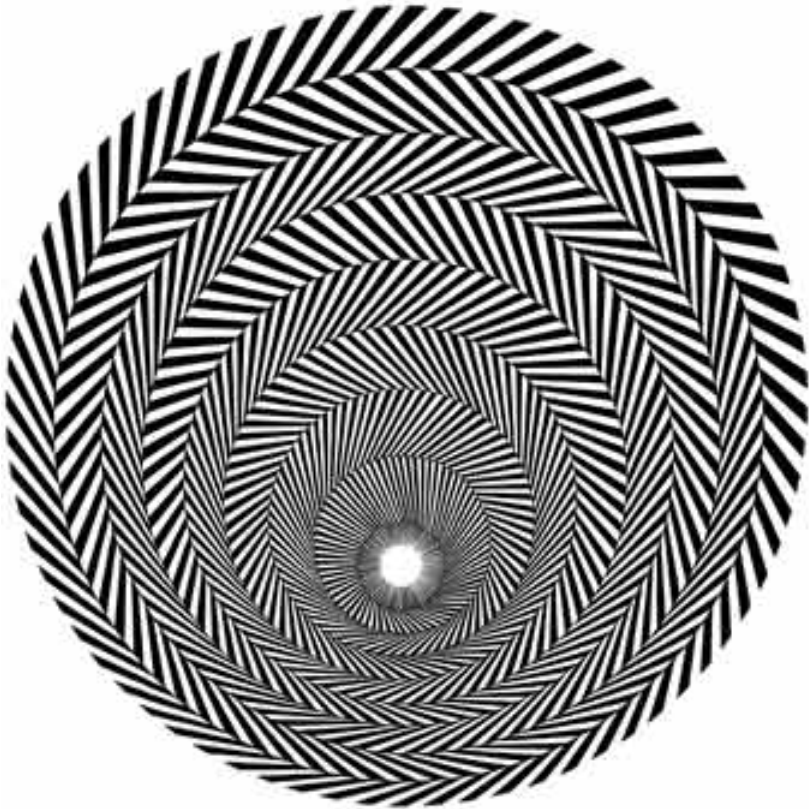
There is an artist named M.C. Escher who is famous for creating lots of different kinds of Op Art.



M.C. Escher

Op Art

There is an artist named Bridget Riley who is famous for creating Op Art that looks like it is moving. Sometimes it hurts your eyes to look at it for too long.



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