Elements of Art

Line

Make a geometric line drawing inspired by *Blue Line Drawing* by Kerrie Poliness

City Gallery Wellington Te Whare Toi

Distance Learning Programme

Line is one of the elements of art – line, shape, form, colour, space, value/tone, texture.

This activity focuses on line and incorporates effects created with line pattern and shape.

Today you will

Follow step-by-step instructions to create a distorted geometric line drawing inspired by *Blue Line Drawing* by Kerrie Poliness

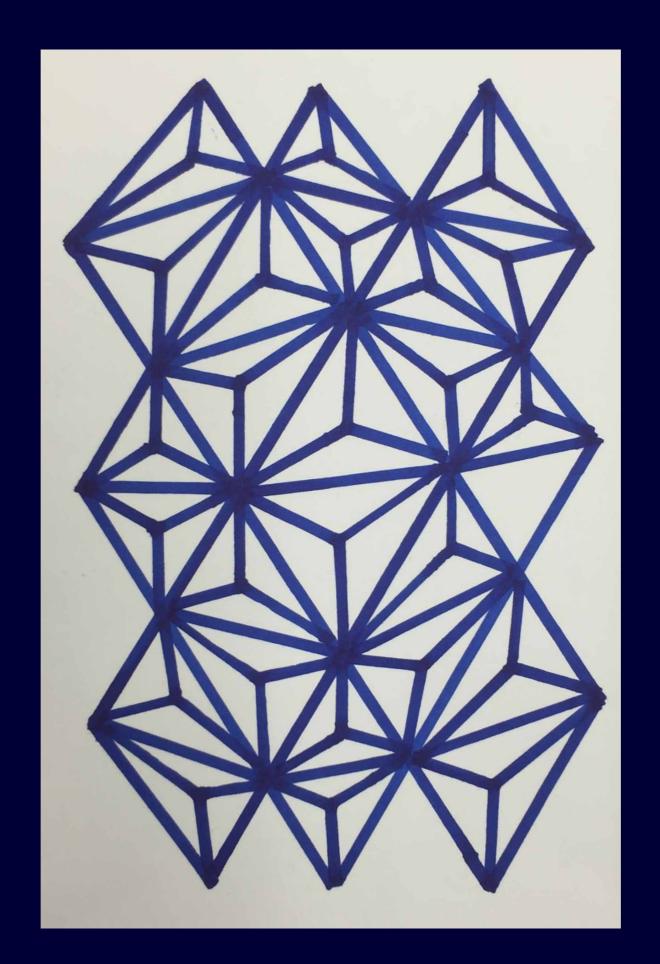
Kerrie Poliness kindly shared these instructions with the educators at City Gallery Wellington so that students visiting the gallery could learn how to make their own versions of *Blue Line Drawing*.

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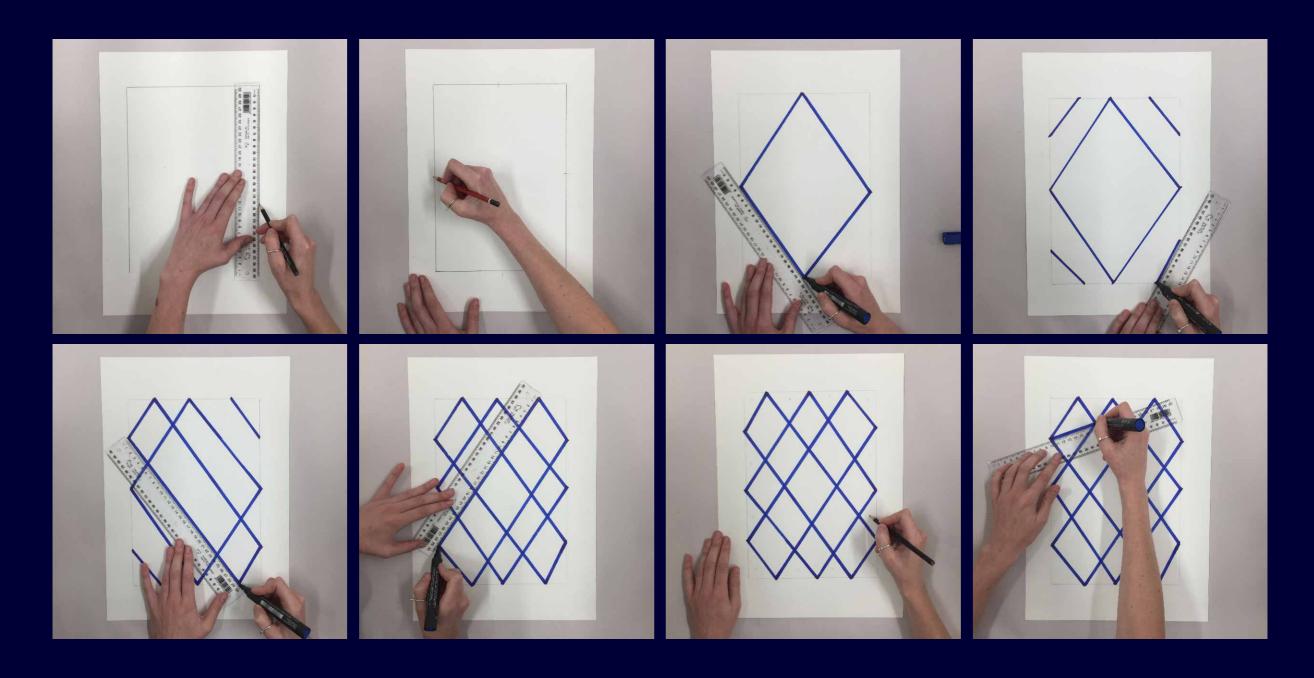
Tip from Kerrie: If you make a mistake while following the instructions, don't worry about it, embrace it as a unique part of your creation!



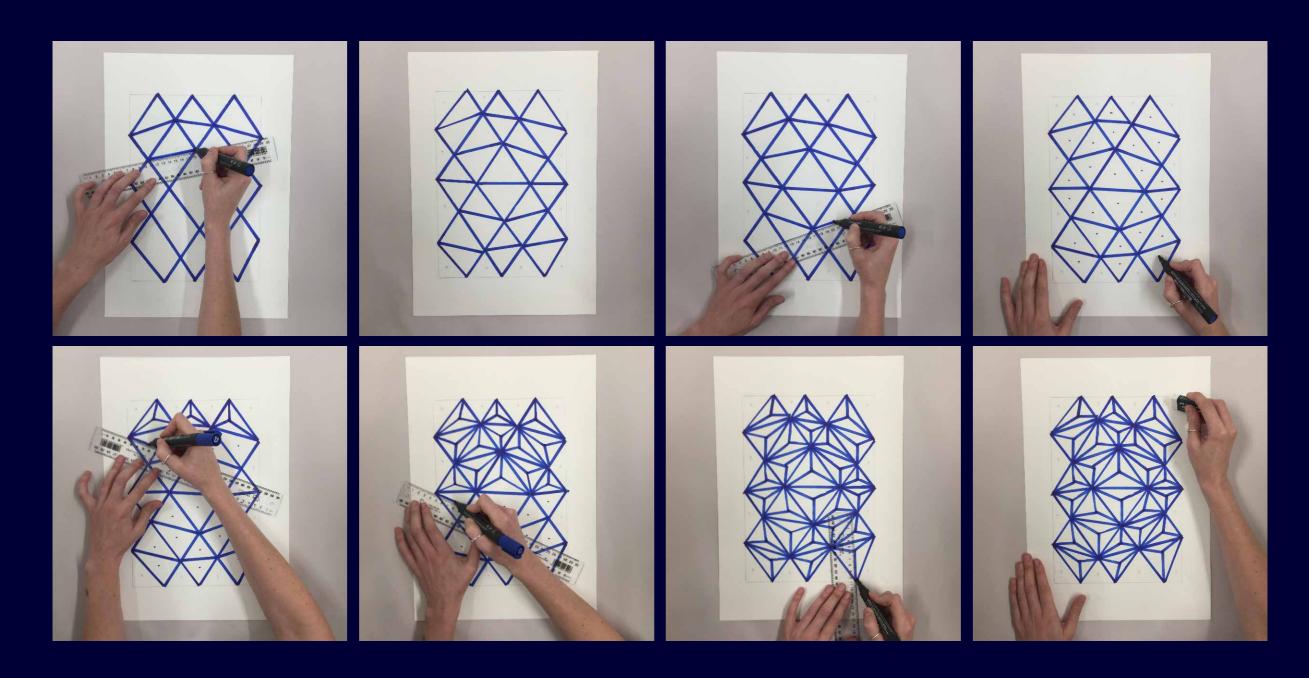
Line Drawing



Step by Step



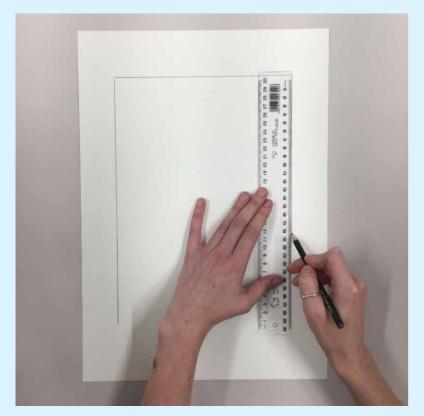
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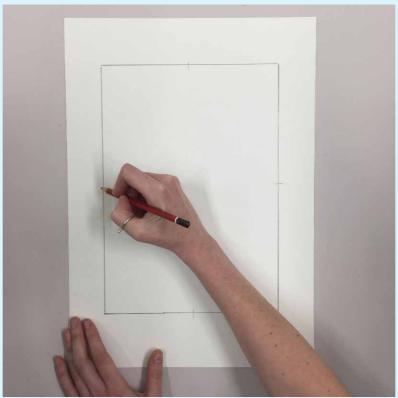


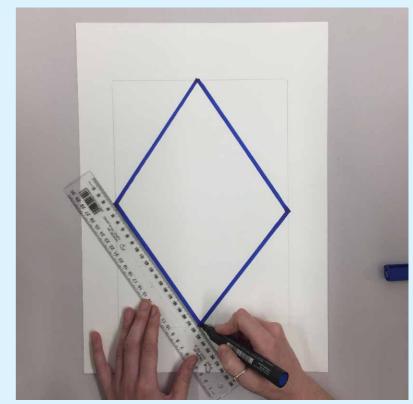
Materials

- A3 paper
- a pencil
- an eraser
- a ruler







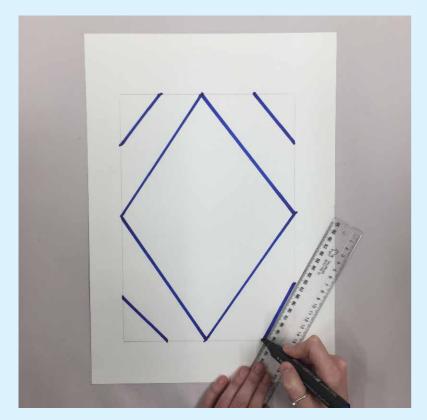


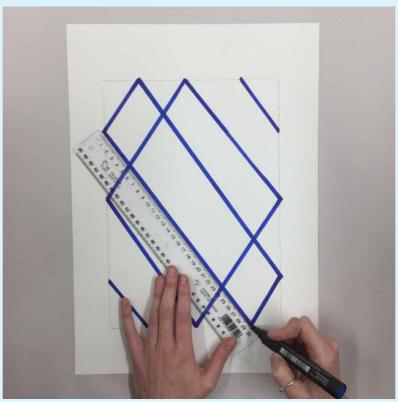
Place your paper in a portrait/vertical orientation, and draw a faint pencil border using your ruler, within which you will make your drawing.

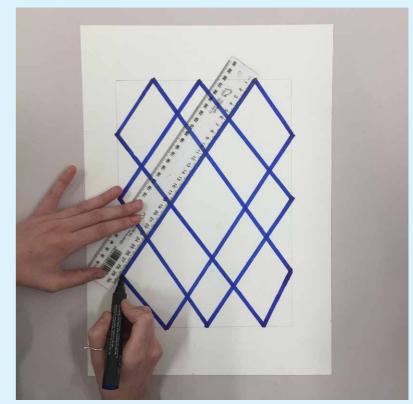
Use your pencil to faintly mark where you think the middle of the top, bottom, and each side of your drawing area is. Draw a straight line between these points using your ruler and marker pen to form a diamond shape.



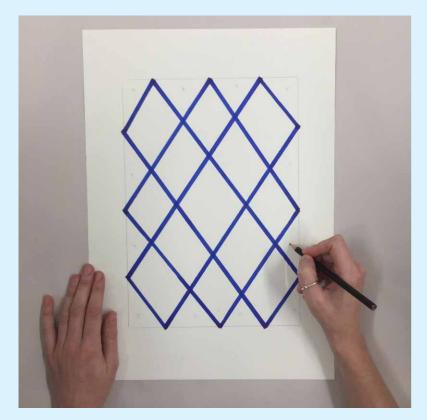
Tip: when making this drawing always try to draw one continuous straight line from point to point and use the wide edge of the pen

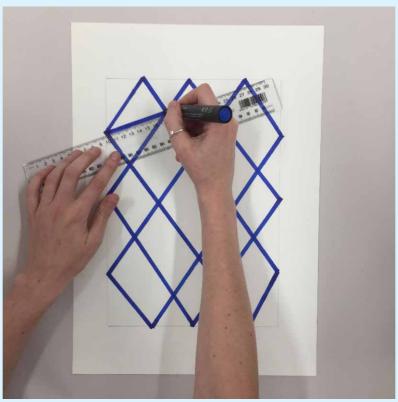


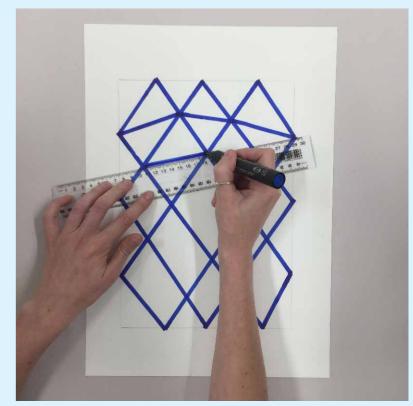




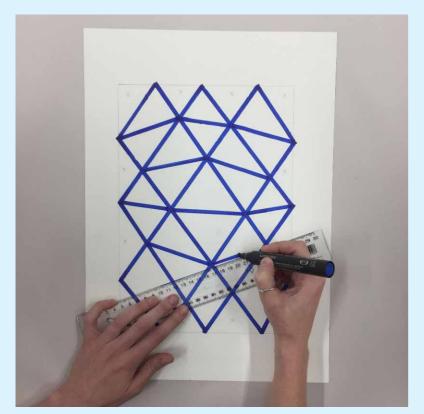
Use your pencil to make a faint mark where you think the middle point is between the corners of your drawing area, and the tip of each side of the diamond. Draw a straight diagonal line with your marker pen and ruler between each of these points to form several diamond shapes.

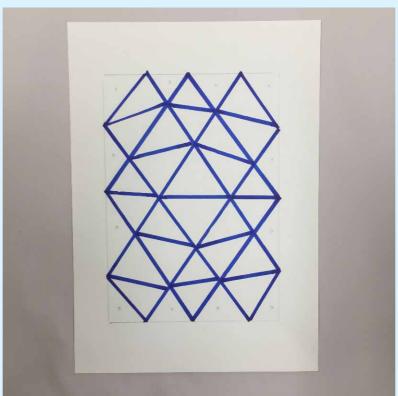


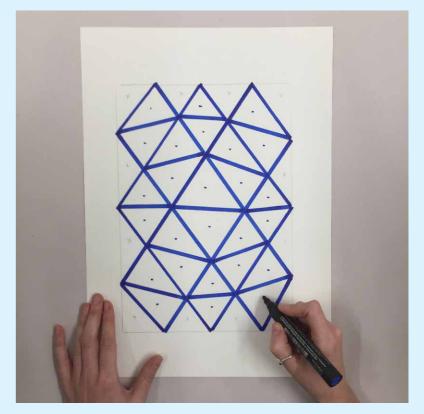




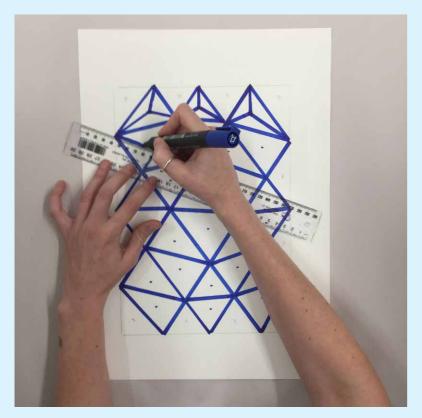
Place a faint pencil cross in each of the edge triangle shapes around the border. This is to remind you not to draw in them! Draw a straight horizontal line from the left-side tip, to the right-side tip of each diamond shape, with your marker pen and ruler, dividing them in half, creating a series of triangles.

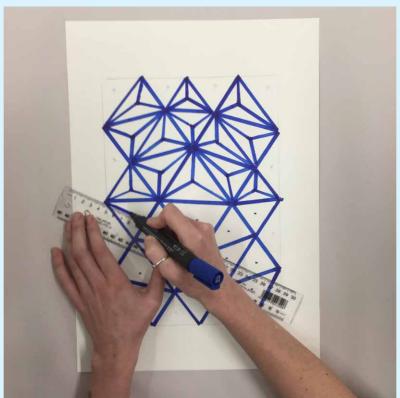


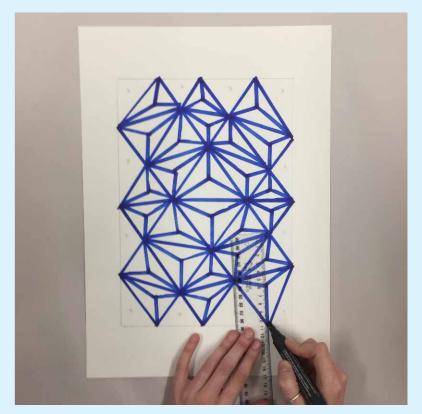




Make a dot with your marker pen where you think the middle of each of the newly drawn triangle shapes is. (do not draw in the edge triangles which you previously crossed.)



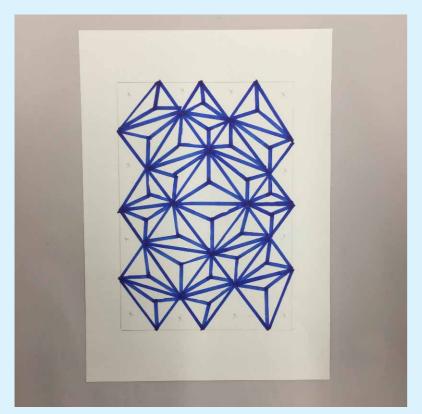


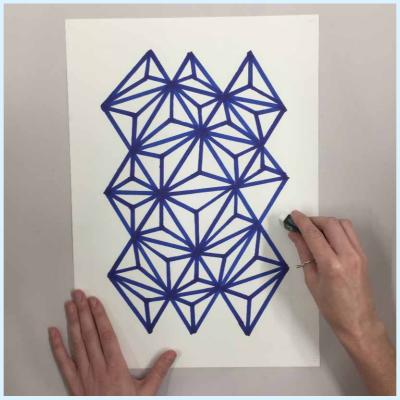


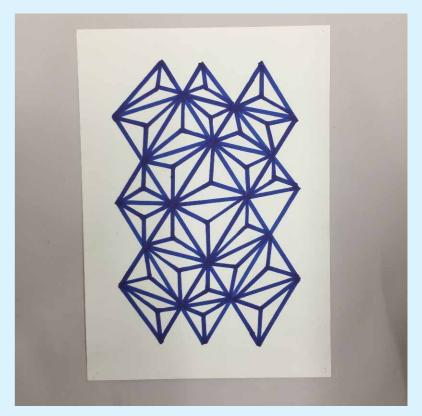
Draw a straight line with your marker pen and ruler to join each dot to the three corner points of each triangle.



Tip: do this slowly from top left to bottom right of the page to make sure you don't miss any triangles out.



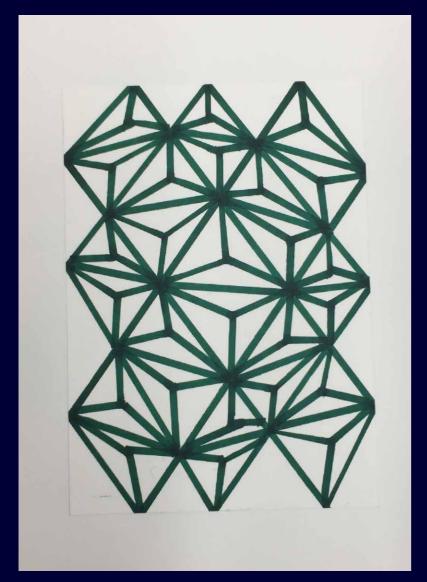


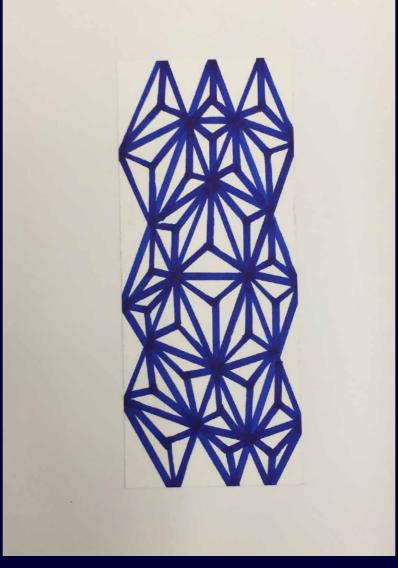


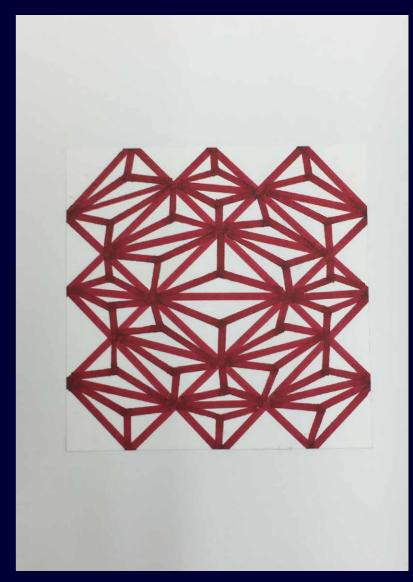
Rub out all your pencil marks (being careful not to smudge your pen lines) and admire your drawing!

Finished!

Line Drawing







The size of your original page border will affect the shape of your finished drawing

Look and Reflect

Have you made art by following instructions before?

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Did you enjoy making this artwork?

Was it easy to follow the instructions?

What was the trickiest part?

Did you make any mistakes?

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How does your drawing differ from other's in your class?

How does your drawing differ from *Blue Line Drawing* by Kerrie
Poliness?

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Do you think you could make the drawing again without looking at the instructions, from memory?

