

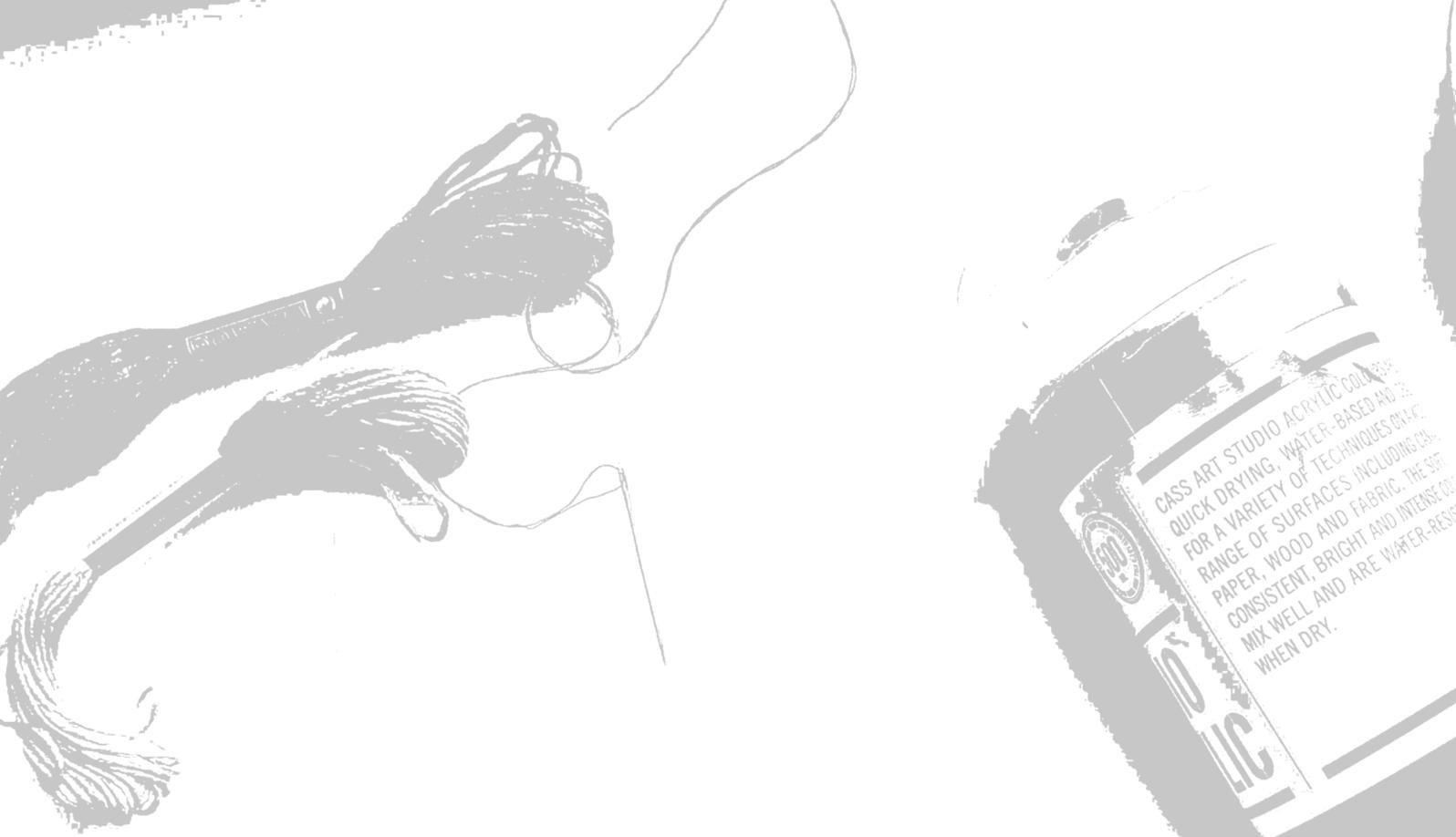


Art  
EXPLORER

*Faster Than Ever*

4 December 2020 — 2 May 2021

**IKON**



**Faster Than Ever is an exhibition of artworks Ikon has gathered and collected over time.**

The activities in this Art Explorer guide have been designed by Birmingham artist Farwa Moledina, who invites families to create their own works of art at home, inspired by the exhibition.

Please share your creations with [learning@ikon-gallery.org](mailto:learning@ikon-gallery.org) or via social media [#ikongallery](https://twitter.com/ikongallery).



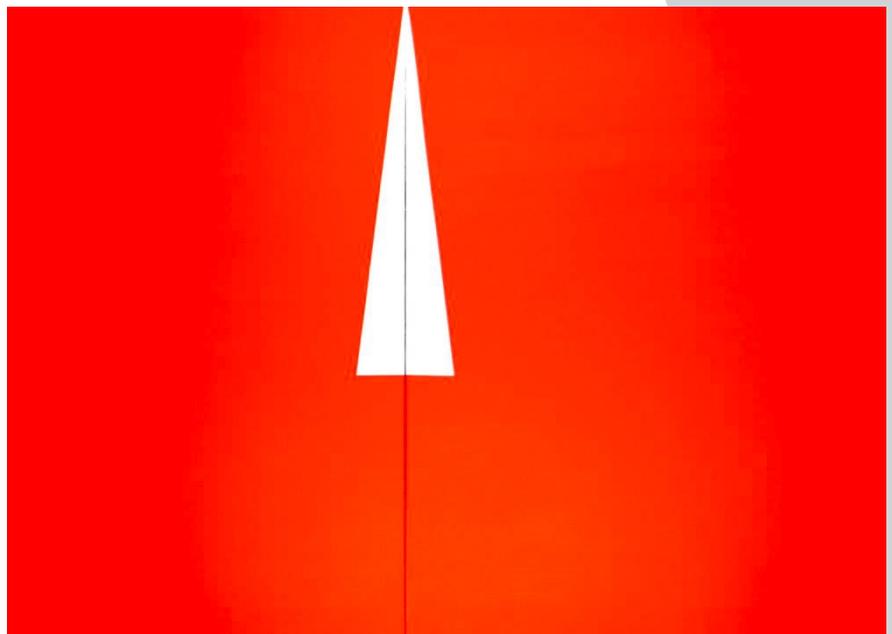
Ikon's exhibition *Faster Than Ever* includes a painting by Cuban artist Carmen Herrera, titled *Red and White Triangle* (2009).

[Click here to look at images of Carmen Herrera's artworks online.](#)

Can you describe them?

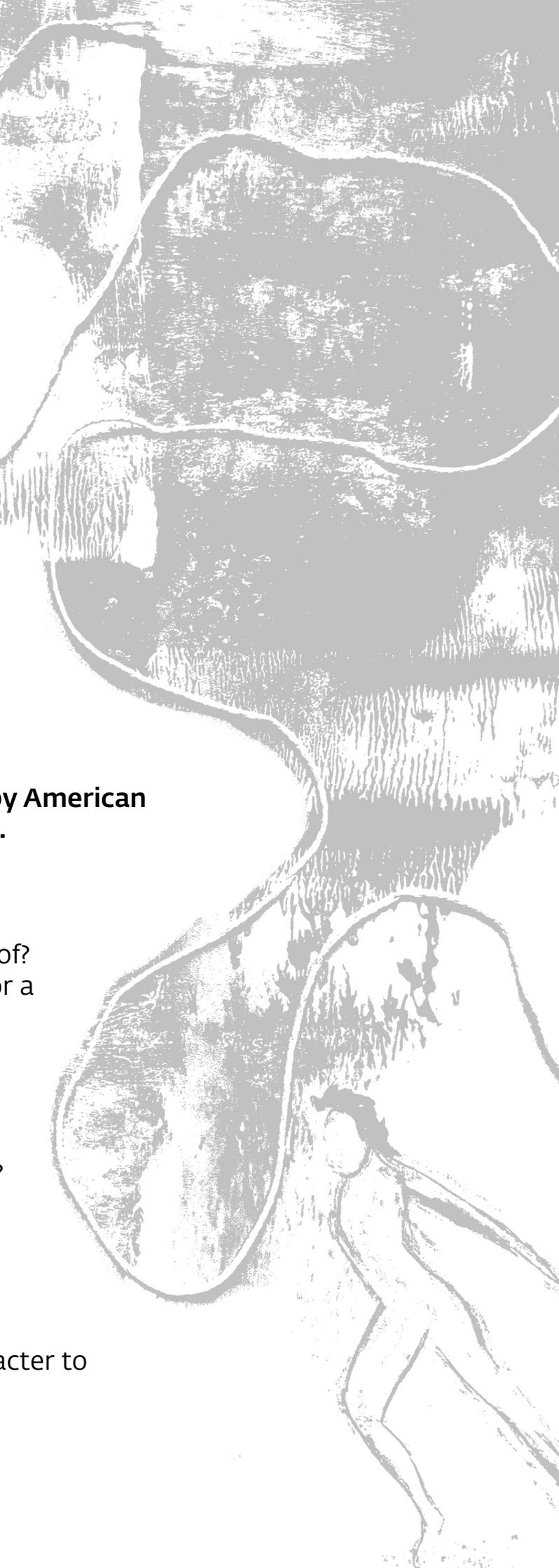
What shapes and colours do you see?

Draw a triangle.



Add a red background.

**Create your own artwork inspired by Carmen Herrera, using two colours and two shapes.**



**The exhibition includes a screenprint by American artist Nancy Spero, titled *Parade* (1998).**

What does the artwork make you think of?  
E.g. ancient Egyptian hieroglyphic text, or a game of snakes and ladders.

What do you think the people are doing?  
E.g. dancing, gymnastics.

Can you think of a different animal character to replace the snakes?

**Draw or paint your own picture inspired by *Parade*.**

Use card, string, paint, pastels or crayons.

Mix materials and techniques to build colour and texture.



On top of your picture, draw or paint yourself dancing or doing gymnastics.

Add string or ribbon to your painting.

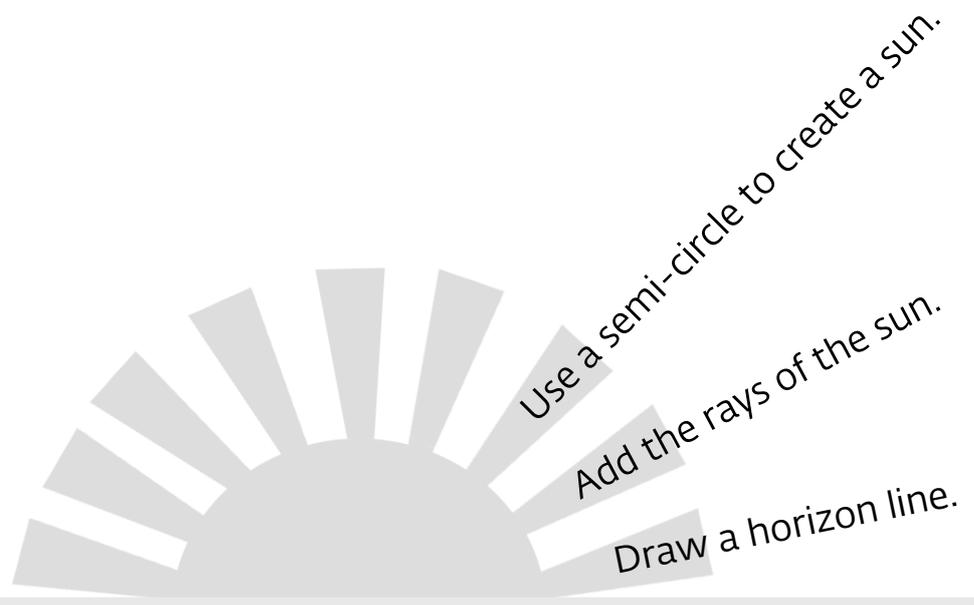
Add an animal character to your painting.



There is an artwork in the exhibition by Russian artist Timur Novikov, titled *Sunrise Over the Sea* (1989 – 2005).

Describe the colours used by the artist.  
E.g. sunshine yellow.

Paint your own sunrise.



Paint!



Add detail into your artwork.  
E.g. a boat, a plane.

**Timur Novikov's artworks combine sewing, patterns and fabric.**

For an extra challenge, ask an adult to help you add detail to your work using an embroidery stitch. Or, stick string or thread to your painting.



Try some simple stitching - start from the back of your painting and make sure the needle holes are not too close together so the card doesn't tear.

Taking part in this Art Explorer activity can contribute towards achieving a Discover Arts Award certificate.

Arts Award is a nationally recognised qualification for young people (aged 5-25), in partnership with Trinity College and supported by Arts Council England.

To achieve a Discover Arts Award certificate you will need to take part in the following activities:

Discover the arts all around you – how many different types of art can you find at Ikon?

Take part in an Ikon Family Saturday.

Share your arts discovery – could you show your teacher or parents what you have made?

For more information visit:  
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