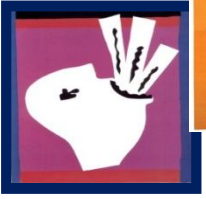
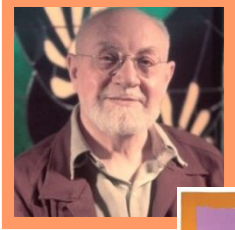




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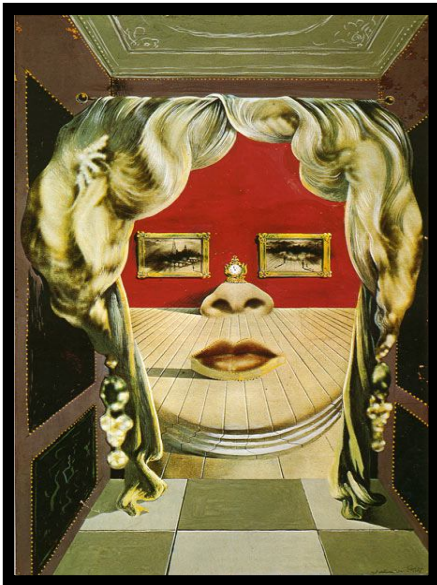
Dear Parents;



Last month we learned about famous painter Henri Matisse and his famous paintings in art class. Our children reinterpreted these paintings. This month we are going to learn about Salvador Dali. Salvador Dali was born on May 11, 1904 in Figueres, in the Catalonia region of Spain. He was the second child of the family.

In 1914 Dali attended drawing school with his mother's support and in 1919 he had his first public exhibition at the Municipal Theater in Figueres.

In 1922 Dali moved into Madrid and he continued his studies in this place. Dali's style was cubism and dadaism and in a short time he drew attention.



During that time he became close friends with Luis Bunuel, and Federico Garcia Lorca. In 1925 Dali presented his first individual exhibition in Barcelona. His paintings were attracted great attention by critics. In 1926 Dali went to Paris where he met Picasso and later Dali made a number of works heavily influenced by Picasso.

"There is only one difference between a madman and me. The madman thinks he is sane. I know I am mad."

Salvador Dali



In 1931, Dalí painted one of his most famous works, *The Persistence of Memory* which introduced a surrealistic image of soft, melting pocket watches.



Salvador Dalí produced over 1,500 paintings in his career, in addition to producing illustrations for books, lithographs, designs for theater sets and costumes, a great number of drawings, dozens of sculptures. He collaborated with famous Photographers such as Man Ray, Brassai, Cecil Beaton, and Philippe Halsman. Also he studied with fashion designer Elsa Schiaparelli and Christian Dior.

Salvador Dalí died of heart failure at Figueres at the age of 84. He is buried in the crypt of his Teatro Museo in Figueres.

You can research with your children following works to support your children's art works:

- Dalí: Master of Fantasies
- Diary of a Genius - Salvador Dalí
- Great Artists "Salvador Dalí"

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