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Time: 15-20 minutes

Messiness: low

Adult involvement: medium

### **Folded Paper House!**



<u>Description:</u> young artists discover the many ways families show each other love and then make a folded paper house!

<u>Story: "Love makes a family"</u> written and illustrated by Sophie Beer (Dial Books; 2018)

#### Let's talk about this artwork!

- What do you see?
- Look at how these children are dressed.
  - Name ways these two boys are similar. What is different about how they are posing?
  - If you could wear a matching outfit with a loved one, who would you choose? Explain your answer.
- These brothers are painted in an outside setting.
  - Imagine you are in a painting with someone you care about. Describe what you might see, hear, or smell.
- How do you think these boys are feeling? What makes you say that?

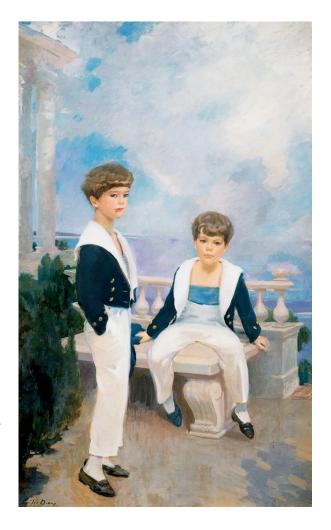


Image: Cecilia Beaux (American, 1855–1942), *The Velie Boys*, 1913, oil on canvas. Museum purchase with funds provided by the James F. Dicke Family, 1998.1

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#### Materials Needed

- 1) one: 8x11" drawing paper or larger
- 2) colored pencils

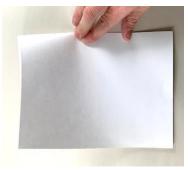


#### **Project Skills**

- 1) Fine / Gross Motor
  - a) folding
  - b) drawing
- 2) Language Development
  - a) expressive: speaking
  - b) receptive: listening
  - c) discussing
- 3) 21st-Century
  - a) critical thinking
  - b) creativity

#### **Project Instructions**

 Fold top edge of paper to meet bottom edge of paper (hamburger fold) and press the fold line flat.





2) Fold both edges of the paper to meet in the middle. This does not need to be exact!

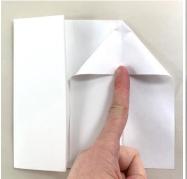
**Helpful hint**: find this lesson's video tutorial on our website if you need help with folding!

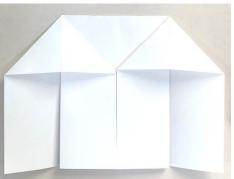




3) Open one of the folded sides up from the bottom. As you open it up, the top edge will start to become a triangle shape. Flatten the edges of the triangle. Repeat on the other side. Ask a caregiver for help if needed!

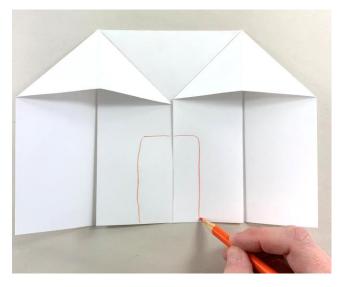


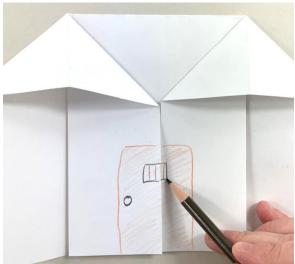




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4) We are going to design the outside of the house. Start with a door. It can be on either side or right in the middle! Will the door be a rectangle or oval shape? Does it have a window?





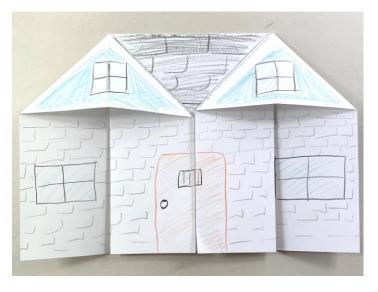
5) Add windows to the house. Will you make them into rectangles, circles or something else?





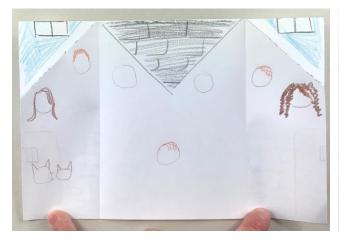


6) Decorate the outside of the house. It can be one color or many, bricks or paint, or whatever you imagine.



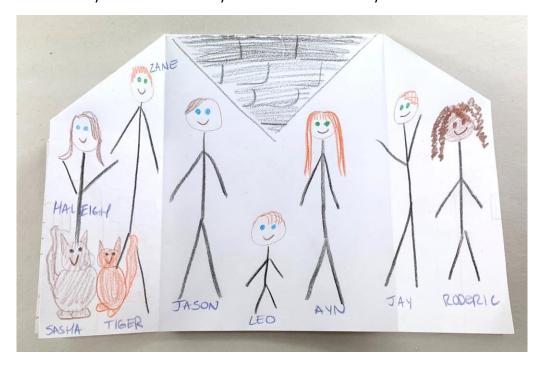
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7) What makes up a family? Add people or pets to the home. Not all families are alike and not all families live under the same roof or in a house at all!





8) Add details until you like it! How do you show love to those you care about?





Questions about or ideas for Tiny Thursdays at Home? Email <a href="mailto:edu@daytonart.org">edu@daytonart.org</a>