

Art – SUMMER 2, WEEK 6

LO: To use some of the ideas of artists studied to create pieces

Yayoi Kusama is a Japanese **artist** who was born in 1929. Much of her work is a display in which audiences can go into a **space** and **experience** her love of polka **dots**, **colour**, **mirrors** and **shape**. In the work you can see here on the right, Love Is Calling (2013), she has used **mirrors** to make it seem like the room goes on forever.

Find out more about her life and work by clicking on the first link and the second link will take you to a short animation video about her life.



<https://www.tate.org.uk/kids/explore/who-is/who-yayoi-kusama>
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YvVABrPWxSI>



Yayoi Kusama began **painting** when she was ten and loved **painting** dots using **watercolours**, **pastels** and **oil**. Even though her parents didn't approve of her wanting to create art, she persuaded them to let her study at Art school. She moved to New York in the 1950s and went on to create lots of dotty work. She would never **draft** or **plan** her work, but just let her mind and her hands go on a creative journey.

Have a go at creating your own dotty picture – use anything you have at home (**paints**, **pens**, **pencils**, **crayons**, **pastels**... or all of them!). You could even try **printing circles** or **dots** using the **objects** around you.



Don't forget to take a photo of your brilliant work and upload it to Class Dojo so your teacher and I can see it 😊 Good luck!