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## Norma Minkowitz: Body to Soul

January 27 – April 6, 2023

## Kids Guide



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#### **Material Matters**

We don't usually think of thread when we think about art, but Norma Minkowitz does! She uses thread in almost every piece of art she makes!



What is thread usually used for? Why is thread important in our lives?

Can you find a piece of art that looks like it was made with thread? Why does it look like thread was used?

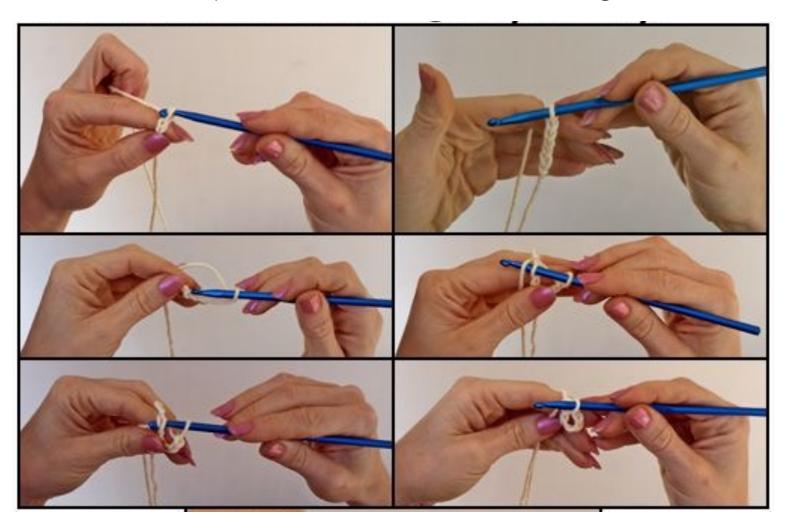
Can you find a piece of art that doesn't look like it was made with thread? Why doesn't it look like thread was used?

## What is Crocheting?

Norma Minkowitz crochets thread to create her artwork. Crocheting is a process where textile or fabric is created using a single needle with a hooked edge and thread.

Crocheting is used to create blankets, sweaters and socks.

Here are some pictures of someone crocheting.



Do you own anything that might have been crocheted?

#### Circles

Circles are important in Norma Minkowitz's artwork. She learned to crochet in the round shape of lacy doilies and she still starts with a circle when she creates art today.

These are examples of the types of doilies Minkowitz might have made when she learned to crochet.



How many circles can you find in this exhibition?

## Circles

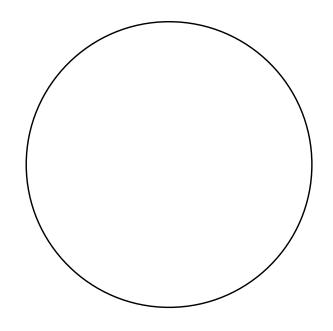
Do these circles remind you of anything?

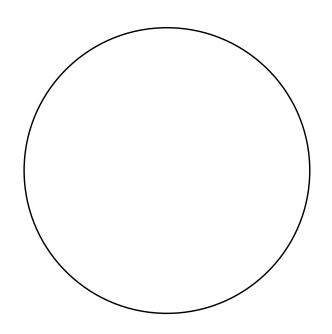






What do you think of when you think about circles? Fill in the circles below with some of your ideas.





#### Vessels

Norma Minkowitz creates vessels with thread and found objects. Vessels are containers that can hold something. Some examples of vessels are bowls, cups, ships, even a human body.

Can you think of some other examples of vessels? Can you find some examples of vessels in the exhibition?

What would you put inside these vessels?









#### **Nature**

Norma Minkowitz is inspired by nature and the world around her.

Can you find some examples of nature in her artwork?

One of Norma's favorite animals uses natural threads they find and collect to build vessels to live in... can you find this animal in one of the pieces of art?

# Scavenger Hunt

These details are hidden in the exhibition...

Can you find them?







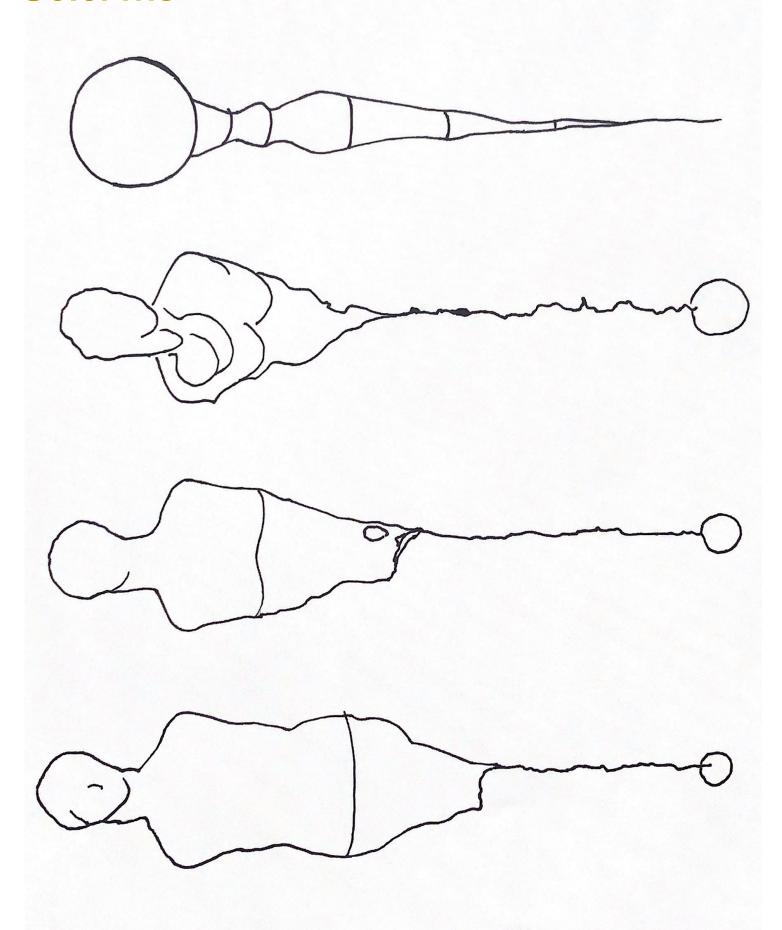








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