

Mindful Viewing: Observe Your Surroundings

Prepare yourself for this experience by standing in place or taking a seat.

Move through your surroundings and take in images from different angles.

Begin by observing what is happening around right now.

Take three deep breaths, then consider the following questions below.

When you focus your eyes on one object, what do you notice about the shape and pattern of what is in front of you?

As you make a mental inventory of everything you see, what colors do you recognize? What objects do you see represented?

Placing your hands in the air, draw what you observe in space with your fingers.

Observe

To watch carefully and pay attention to the details.

Observational Movement Drawing

Reflect on the everyday motion of the body as a tool for drawing. Use motion to explore pattern, rhythm, and shape—solo or with a partner—create drawings on paper, or dance in the space.

Mindful Movement: Observe Yourself

Not only do we want to be mindful when we are still, we can also be mindful when we move.

Prepare yourself for this experience by standing in place.

Begin by observing what is happening around you right now.

Take three deep breaths, then consider the following questions below.

What do you notice about your thoughts while looking around at your surroundings?

When you close your eyes, do the sounds surrounding you create a rhythm?

Does this rhythm encourage you to move your hands, arms, or feet?

Move through your space with purpose—solo or with a partner—slowly and deliberately, paying attention to your body in space.