

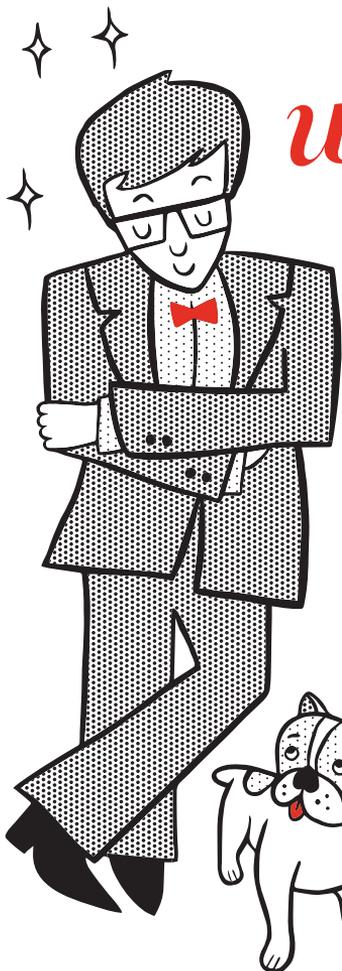
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activity guide



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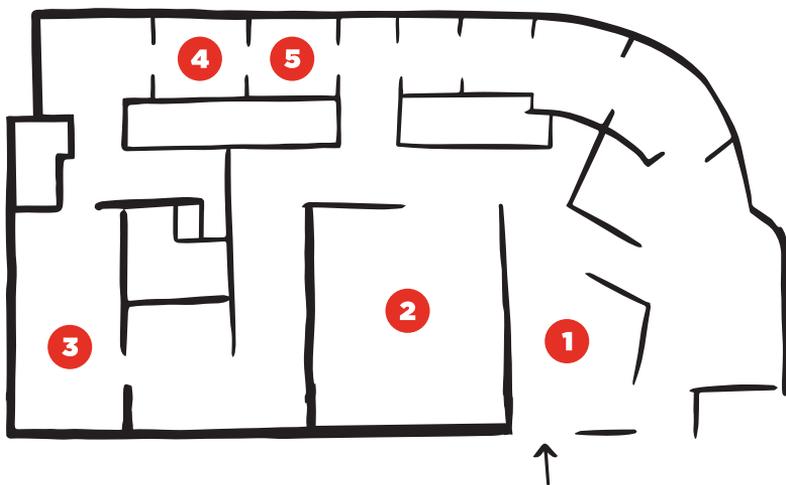


what do you like to wear?

Did you know that fashion is wearable art? Great fashion, like great art, requires imagination and skill.

All of the beautiful outfits, dresses, and suits that you see in this exhibition were designed by **Yves Saint Laurent**. He was a creative genius who captured the spirit of his time and translated influences from art, music, and popular culture.

Use this map to find your activities.





1

paper dolls

As a teenager, Yves Saint Laurent created over 400 outfits for his paper doll collection. Creating those many imaginative looks displayed his talent at a young age. All the dolls were constructed out of magazine illustrations, with outfits designed and decorated with different fabrics, shapes, and colors made to be worn day or night, winter or summer, for work or fun.

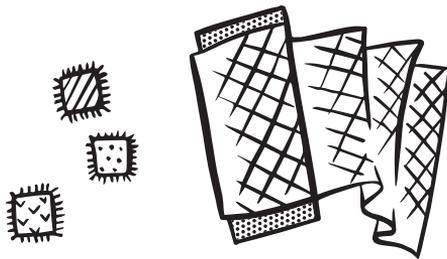
Find your favorite paper doll, what shapes are their clothes? What patterns can you find?



SHAPES

PATTERNS

fabrics



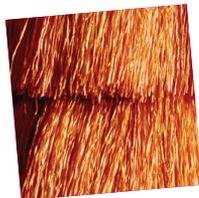
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Have you ever stopped to think about how fabric feels? Does a silk shirt feel smooth? Is a wool sweater rough? What fabrics are you wearing right now? How do they feel?

Yves Saint Laurent paid special attention to the fabrics he used. **As you walk through the gallery, look for the fabrics pictured in the left column and match them with the descriptive words on the right.**



SCRATCHY



SOFT



HARD



FLUFFY

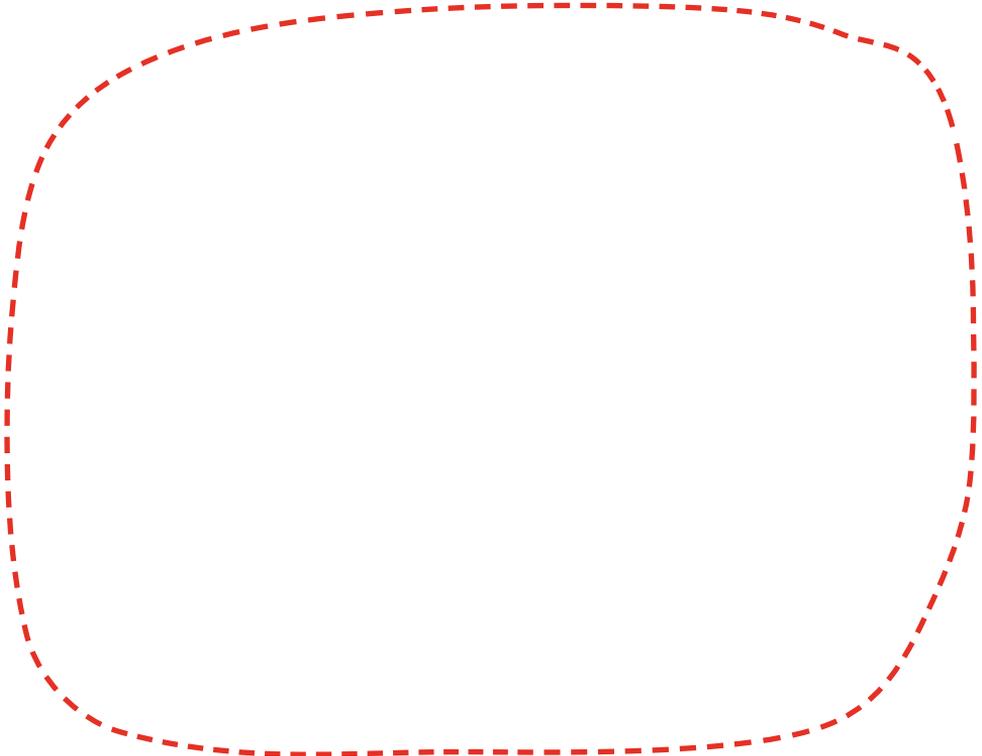
musical inspiration

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Yves Saint Laurent was deeply inspired by music. He often listened to music in his studio as he was drawing different outfits.

Listen to the music as you walk through the galleries. How does it make you feel? Do you feel happy? Energetic? Relaxed?

Draw freely in the space below. Let your hand move to the sound of the music without looking at the paper. What does your drawing look like? Try this at home with any music you love.

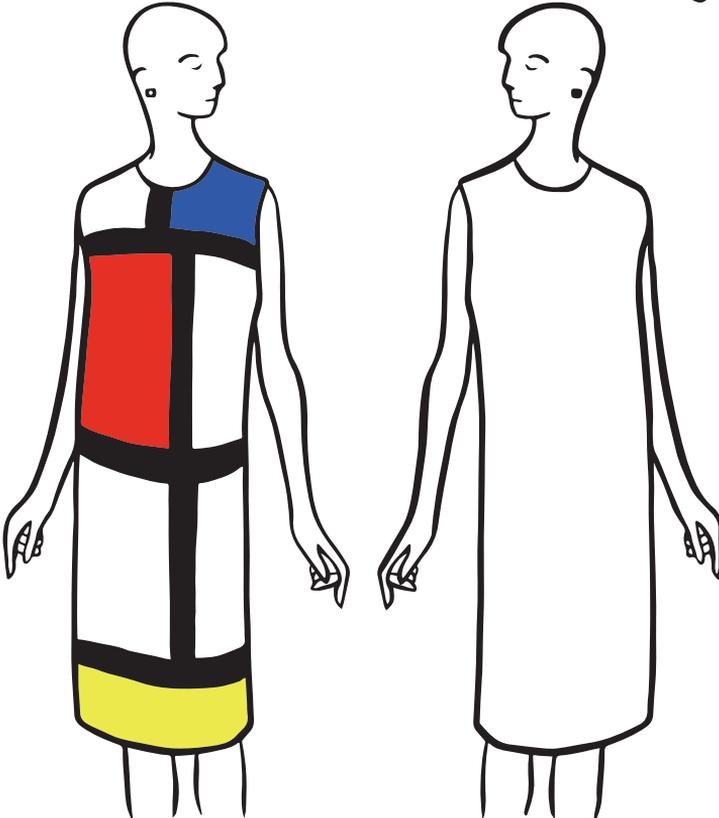
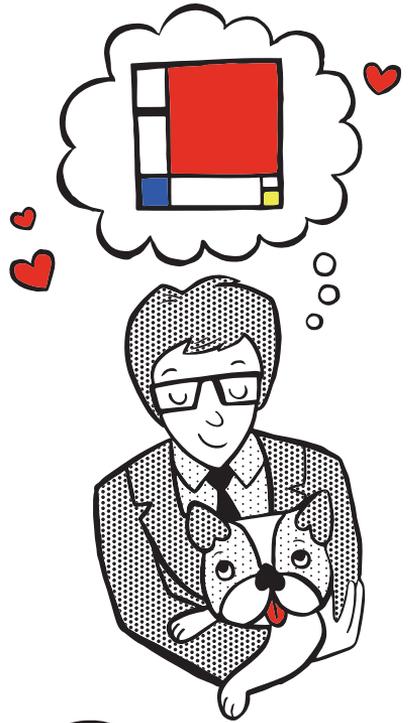


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wearable art

One of Yves Saint Laurent's most popular dresses was inspired by the modern artist Piet Mondrian. The dress was constructed from individual shapes sewn together to mimic the simplicity of the painting. What shapes do you see on the Mondrian dress?

Look at the shapes below. Can you rearrange the shapes below into different formations? Try creating a new design with the same shapes.



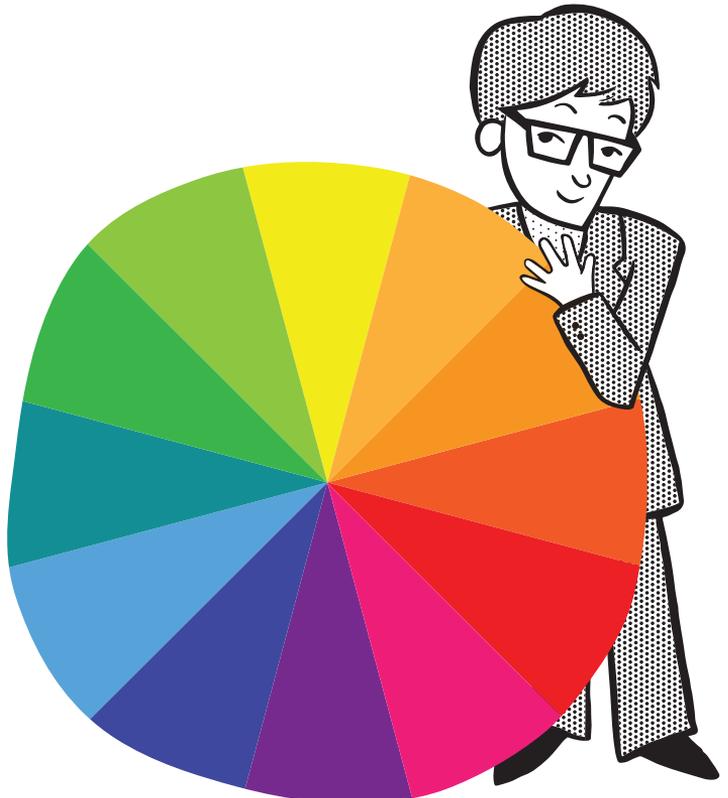
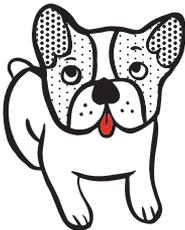
BLACKGOLDGREENPINKREDYELLOW

colorific

What is your favorite color? Find it on the color wheel. Colors that are across from each other on the wheel are called complimentary colors.

Tally how many times you see each color listed on the left in outfits as you walk through the next four galleries. Circle the color you see the most.

Can you find an outfit with all of the colors on the wheel?





DIY: DO IT YOURSELF

Now's your chance to be an artist! Head over to the Chase Open Studio on the big staircase near the *Hammering Man* entrance and create your own work of art inspired by the exhibition.

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