

# MORE THAN HUMAN

CHILDREN'S  
TRAIL

the  
DESIGN  
MUSEUM





Humans are one of the many different types of living things, or species, sharing the Earth.

All of us can look after each other. What can you do to look after other living things?



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**LANDSCAPE**

# MARCUS COATES



4 NOVEMBER

IN FIELDS, VAST NUMBERS OF  
MONEY SPIDERS COVER THE  
GRASS WITH THREADS OF SILK

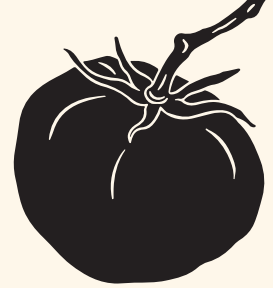
Look for your birthday.

What is happening?

What could you do to celebrate  
this the next time you have a  
birthday?



# JONATHAN BALDOCK



What would you use to make your own mask?  
Plants? Flowers?  
Vegetables?



These masks are made from metal but they look like plants. They're made using a process called 'casting'.

A mould is taken from the plant, and then the soft plant material is replaced with melted metal which then cools into a hard shape.

Which shapes would work best for each part of the face?



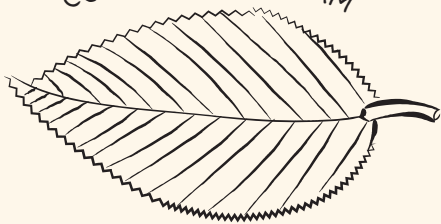
MAKING WITH  
THE WORLD



# CESARE LEONARDI

We think that there are around 73,000 different kinds, or 'species', of trees and shrubs in the world - that's almost double the number of seats in the Chelsea Football Stadium (Stamford Bridge).

COMMON HORNBEAM



They may be harder to spot in real life, so first use Cesare Leonardi's drawings to work out what shapes and textures you're looking for.

PIN OAK

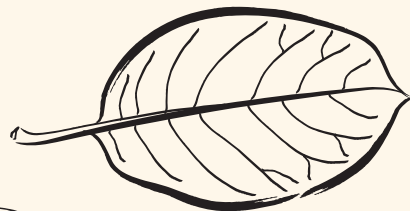


PERSIAN IRONWOOD

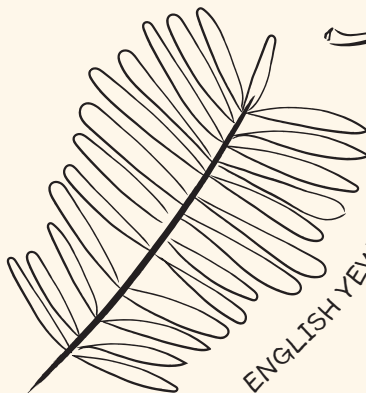


Here are just six - and they all grow in the Dame Sylvia Crowe Garden at the Design Museum and in Holland Park. After you leave the exhibition, see if you can find them!

GOAT WILLOW



ENGLISH YEW



Is each tree round, spiky, fluffy or droopy?

# MARLÈNE HUISSOUD

This object looks like a chair that humans can sit on, but actually Marlène carefully designed it for insects, who can live inside its many holes.



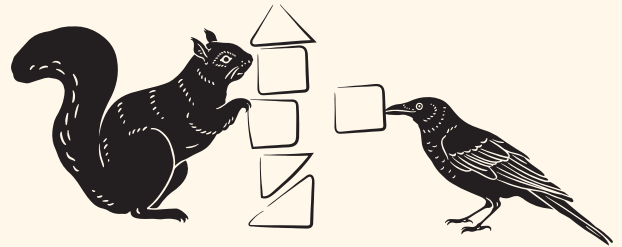
If you were an insect,  
where would you like  
to live?



# SHIFTING PERSPECTIVE

# SHIMABUKU

This artist noticed that octopuses like to collect objects, so he made some for them to play with!

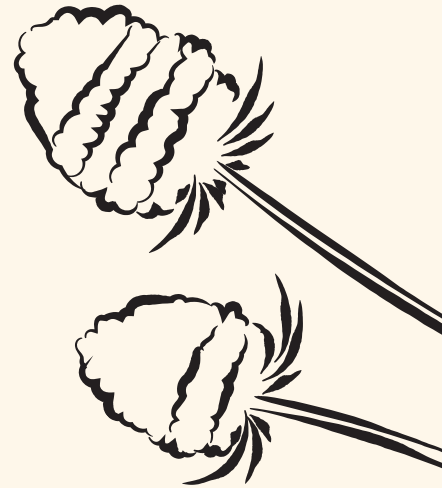
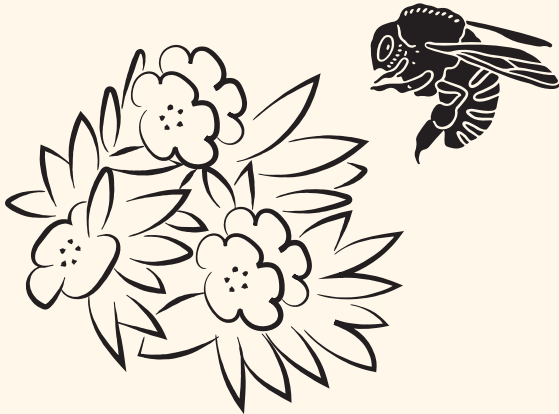


If you could make a toy for another animal, which animal would you choose and what would the toy be?

# ALEXANDRA DAISY GINSBERG

Flowers make seeds to grow new plants by sharing tiny bits of dust called 'pollen' with each other. Because plants can't move like animals can, they often need a little help from animal 'pollinators' - pollen-ators!

Some pollinators you might have seen before are bees and butterflies. Where have you seen a bee or a butterfly?

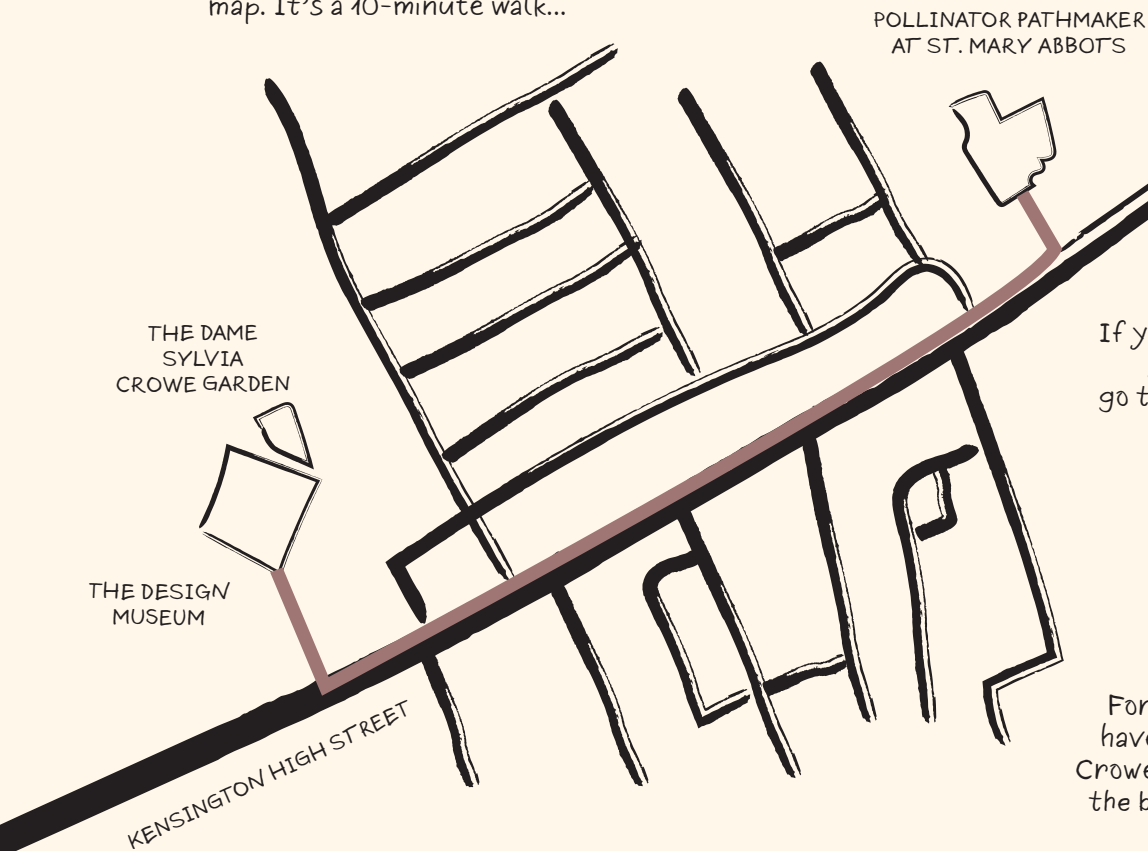


Plants even have secret colours which only some pollinators can see.

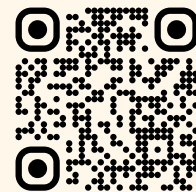
These tapestries show a garden from the point of view of a tiny pollinator, so the plants seem huge and there might be some unexpected colours!

What colours can you see? How would the world look different if you were a pollinator?

Children have designed a real garden using a website created by the same artist.  
If you'd like to see the garden, follow this map. It's a 10-minute walk...



If you want to design your own garden for pollinators, go to the website [pollinator.art](http://pollinator.art)



For more inspiration, go and have a look in the Dame Sylvia Crowe Garden around the side of the building after you leave the exhibition.

# DAME SYLVIA CROWE GARDEN

The garden has a collection of  
birdhouses built by different  
designers.



Walk around the garden  
- can you find all 17  
birdhouses?

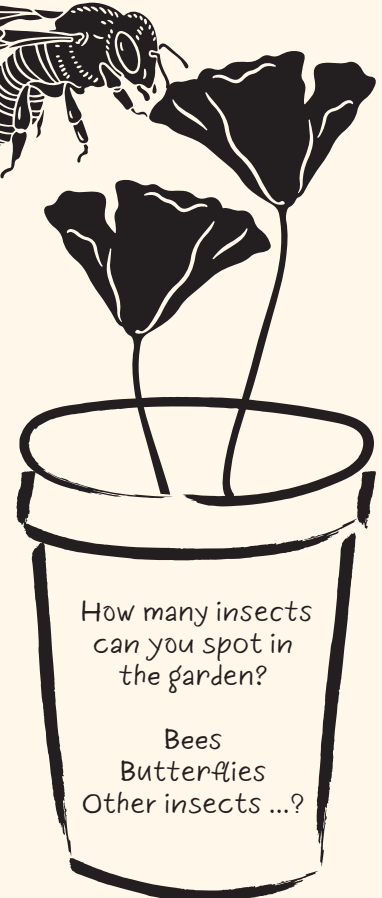
If you were to make a  
house for a bird, what  
would it look like?



Think about how the bird  
would go inside, where  
it would sleep and how  
it would eat.

# DAME SYLVIA CROWE GARDEN

A garden can be a food party  
for bees, butterflies and other  
pollinators, all you need is the  
right kind of flowers.





CONGRATULATIONS  
ON COMPLETING  
THE MORE THAN  
HUMAN TRAIL!

# THIS BOOK'S JOURNEY DOESN'T END HERE...

You can take it home and let it live on your shelf—or it can be given back to the Design Museum, where the team will make sure it's recycled, so the paper can be used in another book one day!

Every choice helps care for our planet and all who share it!

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