

# Action Figures inspired by Giacometti and Degas



Inspired by the figurative sculptures of Giacometti and Degas, students learned how to draw a proportional figure and capture the body in motion using gesture studies. We explored wire as a medium - learning how to bend, twist, and manipulate it to create a sturdy armature that showed balance and movement. Aluminum foil then plaster gauze is layered over the wire, adding muscles and skin to our wire skeleton. Finally, students personalized their Action Figures with tempera paint, adding clothing, costumes, and uniforms. These 7th graders were encouraged throughout the process to consider their figure “in the round” or look at it from all sides while creating.

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