



Make art

with the
Art Gallery
of New
South Wales
Fantasy
meal

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Artists love to create.

Still-life arrangements of food, dishes, bowls and table settings have inspired artists for hundreds of years. The shapes, folds of cloth, and different angles of the objects challenge the artist's drawing and painting skills. And because the objects don't move, the artists can take time to perfect their artworks.

above: Laurens Craen
**Still life with imaginary
view** c1645–50, oil on
panel, Art Gallery of
New South Wales, gift
of Sir Arthur Downes
in memory of his
uncle JF Downes and
of his cousin FWA
Downes HLA 1929.
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Do you love to draw, paint and make things?

What is your favourite
food? Imagine your best
friend is coming to share a
delicious meal with you.

What food would
you prepare?

We acknowledge
the Gadigal of
the Eora Nation,
the traditional
custodians of the
Country on which
the Art Gallery of
New South Wales
stands.

clockwise from right:
 Frank Medworth **Still life** 1943,
 oil on canvas on plywood, Art
 Gallery of New South Wales,
 Marshall Bequest Fund 1945;
 Herbert Badham **Breakfast
 piece** 1936, oil on hardboard,
 Art Gallery of New South
 Wales, purchased 1936
 © Estate of Herbert Badham;
 Abraham van Beyeren **Still
 life with fruit, a glass and
 a Chinese Wanli porcelain
 bowl** 1656, oil on oak panel,
 Art Gallery of New South
 Wales, gift of Kenneth Reed
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 Cultural Gifts Program.
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Fantasy meal

You will need:
 Pencils
 Paint and brush
 Marker pens
 Coloured pencils
 Anything you like to
 draw with
 Your imagination!

Draw your ideas for a delicious meal on the empty plate and add more objects for your table setting around it.

