

Zara's Guide to Abstract Art

Unleash your imagination and let your creativity flow – there are no mistakes in abstraction!

- Abstract art focuses on the artist's inner thoughts and feelings rather than painting a realistic picture of an object.
- Geometric shapes, such as squares and triangles, are often used to create a structured and bold composition.
- Organic shapes are free-flowing and curvy, often inspired by things found in nature, like leaves or clouds.
- Colour is a powerful tool in abstract art; warm colours like red and yellow can express energy, while cool colours like blue can express calm.
- Texture can be created by layering paint thickly or using different tools to scratch marks into the surface of the artwork.

Did you know? Did you know? Abstract art does not try to look like real-life objects! Instead, artists like those Zara admires use shapes, colours, and lines to show feelings, music, or ideas. It is like painting the sound of a drum or the feeling of a sunny day rather than painting a tree or a house.

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