

ACTIVITY GUIDE

David Rathman – Painter:

Writing/Essay/Journal

David Rathman shares a list of the subjects he enjoys painting which he labels “boyish things.” He states, “My work is not about me. It’s about the subjects and the themes.” What subjects and themes do you/would you choose to represent in your art? What medium do you/would you use and why? What role does technology and/or automation play in the creative process of David’s art?



Activity

David uses text in some of his paintings. He collects lists, lines of dialogues, and lyrics from songs in a notebook. Replicate this activity by collecting text from your own environment for a day. What did you discover as you looked through your collection?