



Fun Facts:

Box Lover: Judd became super famous for making art out of boxes and rectangles—he thought simple shapes could be beautiful too!

No Paintbrush Needed: He didn't paint pictures—he used materials like metal, wood, and concrete to build his art like a giant LEGO project.

Art You Can Walk Around: Some of Judd's sculptures are so big, they live outside and people can walk around them, almost like playground art!

Shape Explorer: Judd liked to explore how shapes and spaces made people feel—he believed looking at a square could be just as exciting as a painting!

About the artist

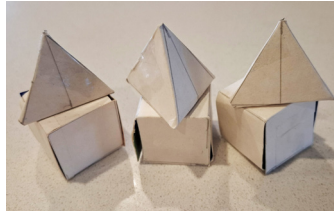
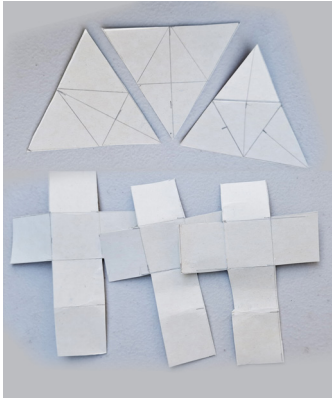
Donald Judd (1928-1994) was an artist from the United States who made simple, modern art sculptures using shapes like boxes and rectangles. He didn't paint pictures—he built sculptures out of metal, wood, and plastic. His art might look plain at first, but he wanted people to think about space, colour, and how art fits into the world around it. Judd believed that art didn't need to tell a story to be important—it could just be. His clean, neat shapes are shown in big museums all over the world.

About the work

Fifty years ago, artist Donald Judd made a large concrete and wood sculpture called *Untitled*. Since 1975, it's been on display in AGSA's sculpture courtyard, near the café. Judd used simple shapes and strong materials to show how land and horizon lines meet. Some people loved it, others weren't sure—but it got everyone thinking. Judd didn't tell stories with his art—he wanted us to notice shape and space. Now, the gallery is celebrating its 50th anniversary with a special film and display.

Shadow Shape Shifters!

Inspired by Judd's use of geometric shapes – Let's build a shiny sculpture and watch it dance with light!



Materials

Cardboard, tin foil, or paper scraps

Scissors

Glue or tape

A wooden skewer (like a BBQ stick!)

Flashlight or sunlight

Paper and pencil

Instructions

1. **Make Your Shapes** – Cut and create 3D shapes like cubes, pyramids, and spheres using cardboard and wrap them in foil to make them shiny!
2. **Connect Them** – Use the skewer to carefully join 5 or 6 shapes together. You've just made a mini sculpture - woohoo!
3. **Shine a Light** – Place your sculpture near a sunny window or shine a flashlight on it.
4. **Trace the Shadows** – Put a piece of paper behind or under the

→ **Take it further** Get Creative! Colour in your shadow drawing, add patterns, or turn it into a creature, a city, or a space station!

→ **More resource** scan the QR Code below to see video. Donald Judd, *Untitled* currently on display, the Courtyard

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