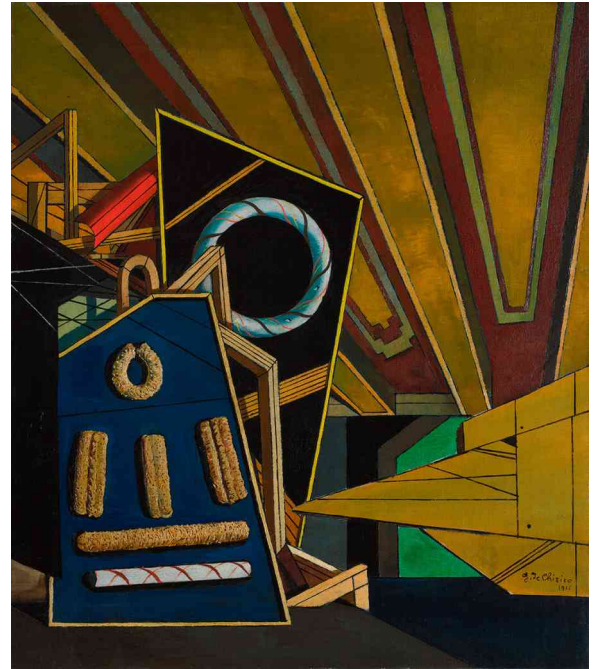


Giorgio de Chirico Still Life

Giorgio de Chirico (1888-1978) was an artist who developed the 'Metaphysical' style of art which explored the meaning of objects and arranged them in seemingly random still life compositions. Using the following list of Giorgio de Chirico inspired objects, consider their meaning, shape and size and compose your own still life in spaces around your home.

De Chirico Objects

- Objects for measuring e.g time (clock), length (tape measure/ ruler/ compass) volume (cups/ jugs)
- Objects that look like body parts e.g gloves, hats, shoes, dolls
- Objects that represent other things eg. wigs, toys, ornaments
- Picture frames
- Wheels of cotton
- Boxes
- Balls
- Biscuits
- Fruit
- Vegetables



Giorgio de Chirico, The Revolt of the Sage, 1916

- 1) Collect 5 de Chirico style objects.
- 2) Explore different spaces, corners and surfaces of your home and arrange the objects.
- 3) Take your time and explore the different ways they could be laid out. Far apart, on top of one another, at different heights. How do the shapes relate?
- 4) Take photos of each still life you make. Try taking the photo from low down and high up, far away and close up. You could draw them too or just talk to someone about your choices and the image they make.



