

# Project glossary

## **ancient Sumer**

The first civilisation in the world that existed in Mesopotamia, modern-day Iraq, from c4500 BC until c1900 BC.

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## **armature**

A framework that something such as a sculpture is built onto.

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## **cast**

To shape a substance by adding it to a mould and leaving it to harden.

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## **figure drawing**

A drawing of the human form in any posture using any drawing media.

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## **figurine**

A small model of a human, usually made from clay or porcelain.

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## **form**

The 3-D aspect of a piece of artwork.

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## **porcelain**

A hard, white ceramic made partly from clay.

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## **pose**

The way a person sits or stands when they are going to be drawn, painted or photographed.

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## **score**

To make a cut or mark on the surface of something with a pointed tool.

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## **slip**

A runny mixture of clay and water used to join pieces of clay together.

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## **statue**

A three-dimensional representation of a person, animal or mythical being, usually made from stone or metal.

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## **statuette**

A very small statue.