



# JOHN DYER

## Knowledge Organiser

Year 5

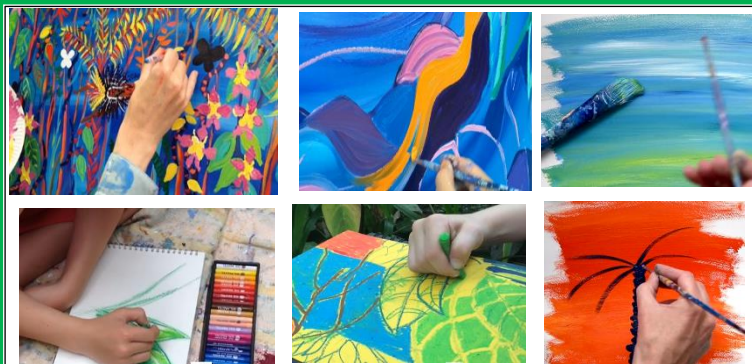


### Who was John Dyer?



- John Dyer is an English painter who focuses on colourful landscapes.
- Born in 1968 in Cornwall.
- 'Colours and light are essential to any piece of art' (John Dyer)
- John Dyer is the artist in residence for the world famous Eden Project.
- Art can be an amazing thing: it can inspire emotion and ignite passion in any viewer.
- 'Last Chance to Paint' will provide a vehicle to really engage children in endangered environments and art at the same time.

### Techniques



### Famous artwork by Dyer



Jungle Banana's (Acrylic on canvas)

Banana cultivation takes place on the edge of the rainforest of Costa Rica. The towering banana plants catch the strong tropical light and create deep patches of shade. John chooses an off-white so the lightest tones appear in the painting.



Spirits from the Amazon Rainforest (Ink)

An amazing image captured by John during his residency painting with an Amazon Indian at the Eden Project. Tropical plants & flowers create a circular composition with a boa constrictor and jaguar merging their energy to create the spirit shaman.

### How do I produce art like Dyer?



**Top tips from John Dyer:** connect to your subject, imagine a final piece, sketch, don't plan everything, choose your art materials, brushes, wet and dry, time, colours and light and share what your picture wants to show.

#### Key vocabulary

- \*John Dyer
- \*Landscape
- \*Shade
- \*Tone
- \*Line
- \*Texture
- \*Atmosphere
- \*Explore
- \*Composition
- \*Brushes
- \*Amazon
- \*Rainforest
- \*Endangered
- \*inspire
- \*Colour pallet
- \*Acrylic
- \*Ink