ART TALK (K-2)

Aimed at younger audiences, this is a vocabulary building exercise where we will discuss what folk and traditional art is and pass around objects from the Museum’s education collection in order for the students to have a tactile learning experience.

The objects we will be exploring are:

- Temari balls (Japan)
- Clay sculpted bull (Sudan)
- Tapa cloth (Tonga)
- Wood carvings (Belarus)

As they pass around the objects we will discuss the color, texture, and use of these 4 objects as a group. Each child will be given one of the activities below to record their thoughts during this exercise.
Today we saw _________________ at the Chase Home Museum and it looked like this:

It is made of ________________________________.
Color: It is ________________________________.
Texture: It feels ________________________________.
What shapes do I see? I see ________________.
It is used for _________________________________________________.

I like/don’t like this piece of folk art.
Create Your Own Temari Ball Design

Temari balls are a traditional Japanese art made from cloth and embroidered with intricate designs.