

Make art

with the Art Gallery of New South Wales



**Do you love
to draw or
paint?**

Artists love to create.

Long ago, before photography was invented, artists painted little portraits called miniatures. They were small enough to be placed in jewellery. That way, people could carry their loved ones with them wherever they went.

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left: John Smart *Bettina Finch* 1781
watercolour miniature on ivory
Art Gallery of New South Wales, bequest of Bertha Finch 1980

right: Unknown artist *Two portraits in a double-sided locket; an officer and a lady*
miniature, watercolour
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Precious portrait

Create your own portrait inspired by these miniatures from the Gallery's collection. Draw or paint a picture of someone who is special to you in the locket shapes on the next page.

from top:
Unknown artist
Bracelet consisting of eight portraits of women
miniature, watercolour
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attrib George Chinnery
Portrait of a man (Robert Black?) c1800
watercolour, opaque white, gum arabic on ivory
Art Gallery of New South Wales, bequest of
Florence Mabel Gritton 1955

Richard Crosse *William Finch (1757–1826)* 1770s
watercolour miniature on ivory
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You will need:

Pencil
Paint, textas or colouring pencils
Someone special to draw
Your imagination!

