

Art Activities

Art- Local Landmarks



The statue of Prince Albert in Queens square Wolverhampton known locally as 'The Man on The Horse' is one of Wolverhampton's most famous landmarks.

There is a fascinating story attached to the artwork. Albert died in 1861 and Queen Victoria, overcome by grief, withdrew from public life.

During her long period of mourning a widows group from Wolverhampton decided to pen a letter to Her Majesty, pleading with her to meet her subjects.

Victoria was so moved by the letter, she vowed that, once she felt ready to return to public life, the Black Country town would be her first port of call.

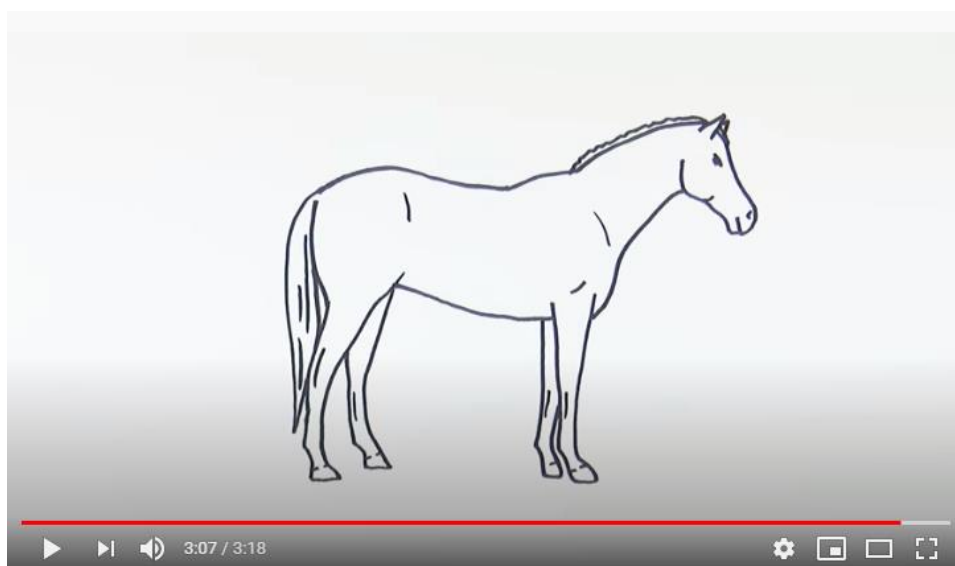
The Queen was true to her word. She accepted an invitation to unveil the tribute, created by Thomas Thornycroft, in 1866.

A 100,000-crowd packed the streets to glimpse the monarch and the royal was so moved that she drew a sword and knighted Mayor John Morris on the spot.

Use all of your sketching skills to sketch the famous statue. Try drawing two different versions of the statue, one in colour and one in black and white using your shading skills.

There are many different video tutorials on YouTube you could use to help you with the techniques if you are struggling!

How to draw a horse- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_obPi4JPiBI



Shading tutorial for kids- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PQlOem2JKLI>

