Nonfiction: Using imagination to draw or create

“Book is door if you escape to where you’ve never been.”
– Mud is Cake, by Pam Muñoz Ryan

Create a display or hold a special event to highlight your library’s collection on “how to draw” books or other imaginative arts. Invite an expert to lead a group in a fantasy drawing workshop.

Arty Facts: Structures, Materials and Art Activities, by Barbara Taylor and Jan Smith (Crabtree Publishing Company, 2002)


Draw. Alien Fantasies, and Draw! Medieval Fantasies, by Damon J. Reinagle

Drawing Fantasy Monsters, by Janos Jantner

Fantasy Art, by Mark Bergin

First Art for Toddlers and Twos: Open-Ended Art Experiences, by MaryAnn F. Kohl

Imagine That!: Activities and Adventures In Surrealism, by Joyce Raimondo

Let’s Pretend: 50 Start-to-Finish Preschooler Programs for the Busy Librarian That Foster Imagination, by Rebecca C. Bane

Mudworks: Creative Clay, Dough, and Modeling Experiences, by MaryAnn F. Kohl (also available in bilingual edition)