ERIK BENSON

Erik Benson explores the idea of makeshift monuments you might see in your own city. A monument is a statue or other structure built to commemorate an important person or event. Erik uses a collage technique involving carefully cut dried paint which he composes into a scene.

If you were to make a monument, who or what would you dedicate it to? Draw your monument below!
Thank you!

Who takes care of you? Write a letter to someone in your family thanking them for all they do for you.
Local Landmarks

Erik loves to make city scenes in his work. Think about your own hometown- are there any special landmarks that make it feel unique? Draw as many as you can below!
Melissa Cooke-Benson’s art explores the messy awkward side of motherhood- as well as the joy and beauty. Melissa employs a unique technique in her work by using a dry brush to build up layers of graphite and using an eraser to make the details.

Do you have a memory from when you were very small? Draw it below.
What do you think the hardest part about being a parent would be? Use pictures or words to describe it below.