

Kids Club February Activity Sheet

THE ACADEMY
OF NATURAL SCIENCES
of DREXEL UNIVERSITY



Activity #1: See if you can find the animals in Dinosaur Hall that are NOT dinosaurs. Tell a staff member in *The Big Dig* what you found.

Activity #2: Find a snake habitat in one of the dioramas. Can you find any other reptiles?

Get your **February** stamp at the Visitor Services Desks. Do you have **eight** stamps yet? **If you do, it's time to collect your prize in the Academy Shop!**

Regular Hours:
Monday–Friday,
10 a.m.–4:30 p.m.

Weekends and
Holidays,
10 a.m.–5 p.m.

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Caryn Babaian: Nature in Chalk

Watch the brief video and listen to Babaian talk about her artwork and the layout of each mandala. Select your favorite mandala and answer these questions about it:

What is the central figure in the mandala you selected?

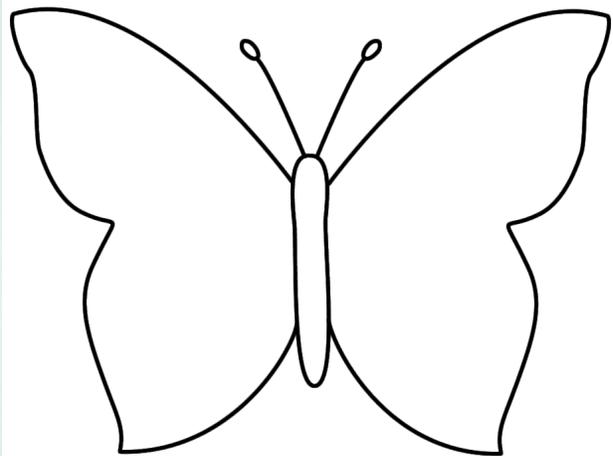
What is the relationship to the figures in the next circle, surrounding the central figure?

If you made your own mandala, what would be the central figure, and why?

Eddie's Coloring Corner

Did you hear about the Academy's most recent incredibly rare find? Volunteer Chris Johnson found the butterfly pictured below (left). Its two right wings—brown with yellow and white spots—were characteristic of a female of the species, and its two left wings—darker with green, blue, and purple coloring—were typical of a male. The butterfly was exactly half male and half female!

See the butterfly for yourself near Science Live. Can you color in the empty butterfly here to match the one Chris found?



Answers from the January Activity Sheet

Activity #1: In the fish community, there are producers, consumers, and decomposers. Producers are food-making, green plants like algae. Different fish species eat that food (and other fish) as part of the food web. Then decomposers, bacteria and fungi, release nutrients back into the system by making plants decompose.

Activity #2: Each diorama has more than one animal! Dioramas depict multiple animals in order to display a realistic representation of the animals' environment.