

Pupil Recommended Read

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Yayoi Kusama From Here to Infinity by Sarah Suzuki

This is my super favourite book about Yayoi Kusama, a Japanese artist who paints colourful dots all the time! I so love dots! Yayoi's story is inspiring because she fought really hard to overcome many obstacles as a little girl at first in Japan and later as a female artist in New York, in order to follow her dreams.

Growing up in the mountains of Japan, Yayoi Kusama dreamed of becoming an artist. One day, she had a vision in which the world and everything in it – the plants, the people, the sky – was covered in polka dots. She began to cover her paintings, drawings, sculptures, and even her body with dots. As she grew up, she traveled all around the world and brought her dots with her, spreading them over big cities and small islands alike. Some people thought the dots were tiny, like cells, and others imagined them enormous, like planets. Yayoi said, 'Our earth is only one polka dot among a million stars in the cosmos. Polka dots are a way to infinity.'

