

Marshall M. Fredericks Sculpture Museum Mini Lesson Plan

Sixth Grade

Ugly Duckling in bronze (left), Swan in bronze (middle), both in the Museum and *Nordic Swan and Ugly Duckling* at Meijer Gardens and Sculpture Park, Grand Rapids, Michigan (right).



Marshall Fredericks sculpted *Nordic Swan and Ugly Duckling*. There is also a bronze cast of this sculpture in Skaelskor, Denmark, the home town of the author of this popular story.

Can you answer these questions about *Nordic Swan and Ugly Duckling*?

Who wrote this story?

Tell me the story about the swan and ugly duckling?

What does this story teach us?

Do you think other classmates or yourself experience what happened to the ugly duckling? After you write your answer talk about this with other classmates and your teacher.

Make your own drawing of the *Nordic Swan and Ugly Duckling* sculpture.



Curriculum Connections

Math

Ratios & Proportional Relationships

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Visual Arts-Creating

4. Persist through and learn from challenging artistic investigations throughout the artmaking process.

Visual Art-Responding

5. Compare and explain the difference between and evaluation of an artwork based on personal criteria and an evaluation of an artwork based on established criteria.