## CREATE WITH THE COLUMBUS MUSEUM

## **Recycled Cardboard Tube Sculptures**



## **INSPIRED BY**

Jane Manus, René, 1990

Jane Manus's *René* is an abstract sculpture made of geometric shapes. What shapes do you see when you look at this piece? Create your own abstract sculpture made of cardboard tubes by following the directions below.







## DIRECTIONS

Supplies

- Cardboard tubes from toilet paper and paper towel rolls
- Cardboard scraps
- Cardboard square or rectangle (for the base of your sculpture)
- Scissors
- Glue
- Paint
- 1. Glue one tube to your cardboard base and let dry.
- 2. Once dry, cut two slits into the top of the cardboard tube. Slide a second tube into the slits.
- 3. To continue to build upward, cut slits into the second roll, the join by adding a third. Experiment with adding slits in different locations on the tubes to add width to the sculpture as you build.
- 4. Try cutting your tubes and scraps into different sizes and shapes as you build.
- 5. Once you have finished adding the pieces of your cardboard tubes, use a drop of glue to secure your cardboard pieces where they meet.
- 6. Paint your sculpture.
- 7. Explore the shadows your sculpture creates. Try taking the sculpture outside at different times on a sunny day to see how the position of the sun changes the shadows.

