

# Bernini - Hands-On Project

## Foil Sculpture

### Goal

Make a sculpture of a figure in motion using aluminum foil.

### Criterion

Show movement in the figure using gestural and diagonal lines.

### Materials

2 Sheets of pre-cut aluminum foil

1 5x7 inch Index Card

Scissors

Pencil

Black or Gray Marker or Crayon

Stapler

### Procedure

1. First, have the students watch the how-to video of the slide presentation.
2. Ask the students to think about what action or pose their sculpture will depict.
3. Snip 2 long strips half way up the length of the foil sheet for legs. **(See diagram)**
4. Gently scrunch up the legs.
5. Scrunch up the foil for the body and head.
6. Cut the second piece of foil in half lengthwise.
7. Roll up one of the long strips for the arms. (The other half of the sheet is extra and the students can use it however they wish.)
8. Wrap the long strip around the body to create two arms.
9. Trim the arms to size or roll up the excess to make hands.
10. Pose your figure then lay the sculpture flat on the index card.
11. Draw a shadow. Position the figure on the card with enough space to accommodate the sculpture and at least a portion of the shadow. Trace around the figure with a pencil
12. Color in shadow using either a marker or crayon. It is okay if the shadow is “falling off” of the page.
13. No place the sculpture back on the card and off-set just a little from the shadow.
14. Staple the arms and legs into position on the card.
15. Ask the students to write the title of their sculpture on the front of the index card.

**Note:** If the shadow portion is too difficult for the younger students then you may omit those steps.

