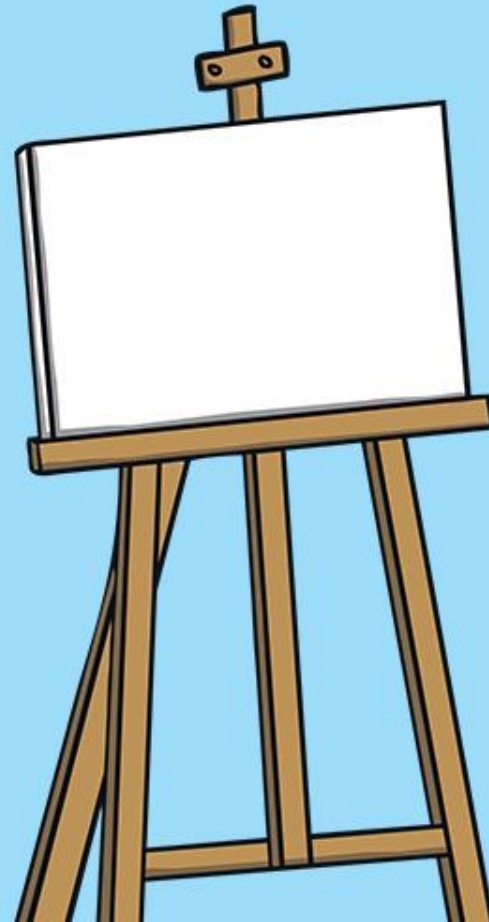


Bridget Riley



Who is Bridget Riley?



Bridget Riley is an English artist.

She is a painter.

She is well known for optical art.

What Is Optical Art?

Optical art is a form of **abstract art**.
The still image gives the illusion of movement.
This is created by the use of pattern and colour.

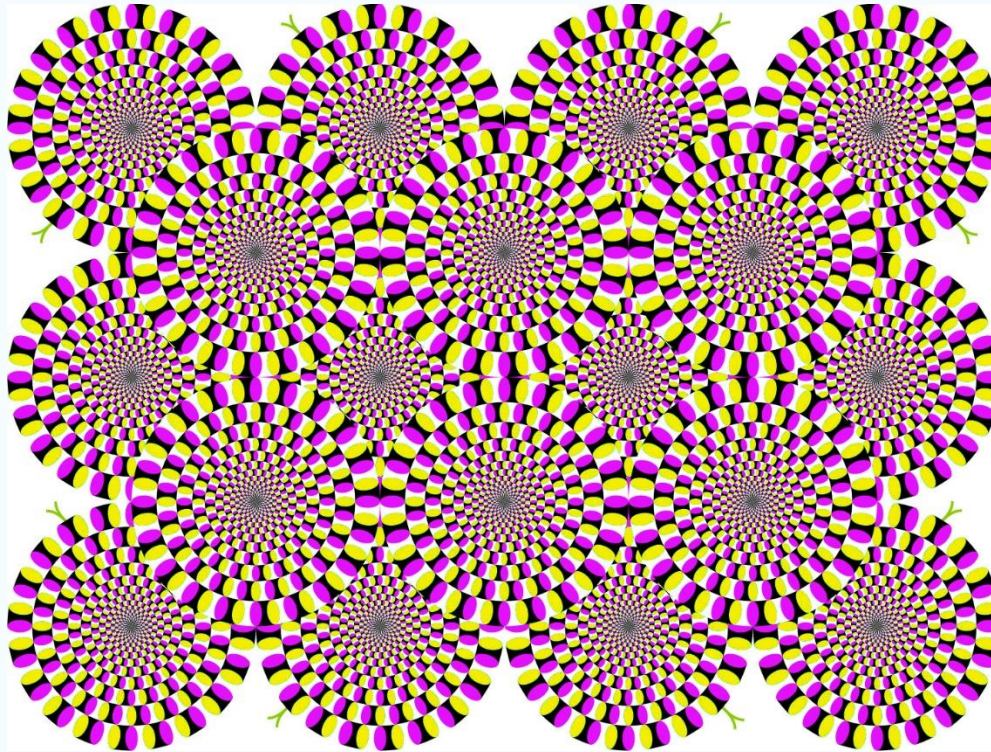


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How Did Bridget Riley Become an Artist?

Bridget enjoyed art from an early age.
She spent many hours watching changing light, colour and clouds.
She went on to achieve a degree in art.
In her early career, she experimented with **pointillism**.
Shortly after, she began to develop her optical art style.

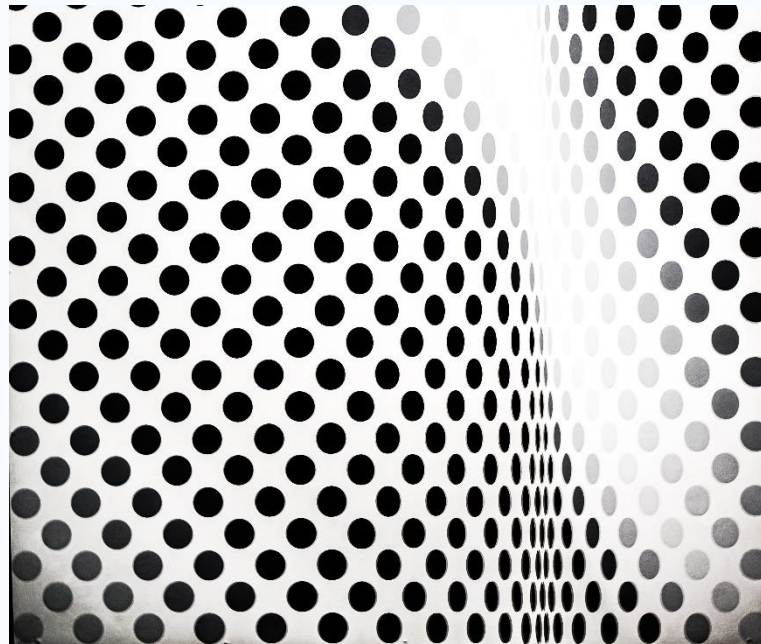
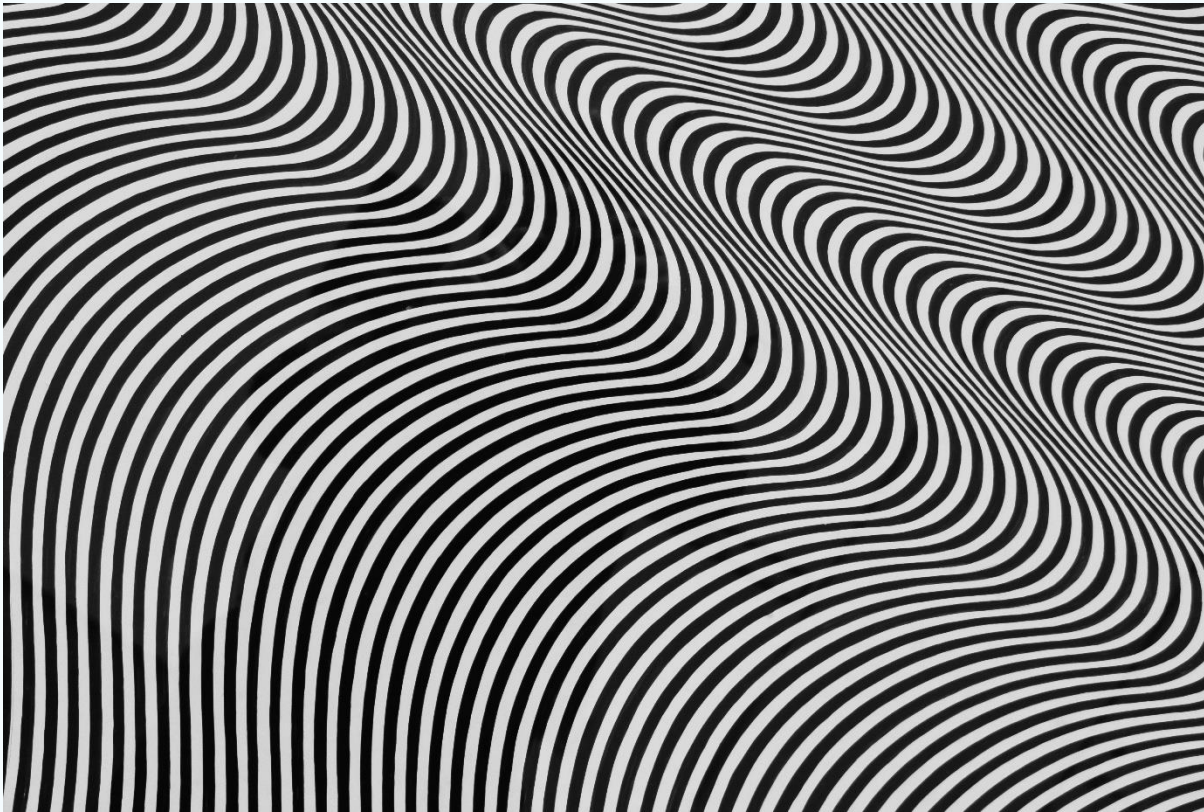


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The Beginning of Black and White

In the 1960s, she began to paint in black and white using geometric shapes.



Discuss it...

How do these images make you feel?

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The Beginning of Stripes

In 1967, she began experimenting with colour and created her first stripe painting.

After visiting Egypt, she began to use other, brighter colours.

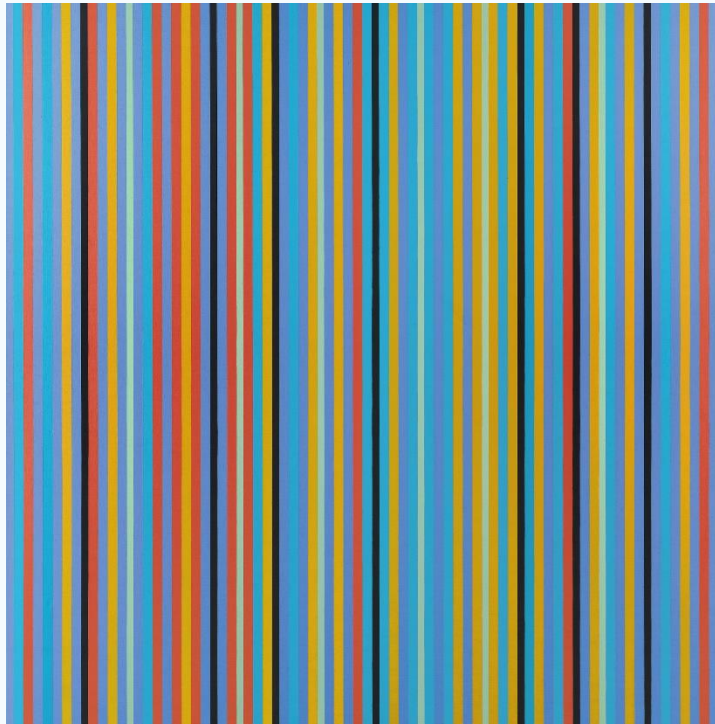


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Interesting Facts

- Bridget Riley is still painting today.
- Her paintings are very large and often take between six and nine months to complete.
- She hand-mixes all of her paints.
- Everything is painted by hand; she does not use rulers.

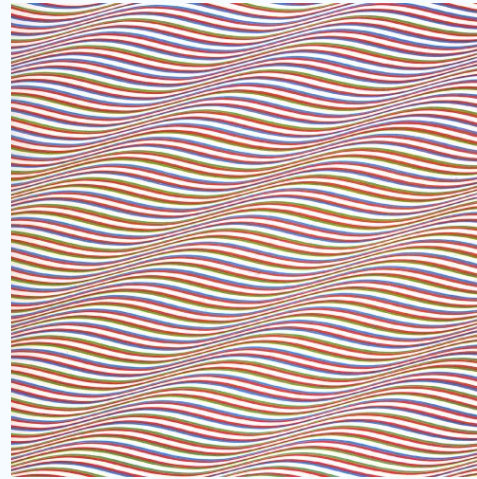


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