

For Alexander, Ethan, Oliver & Emilio



The Life of  La vida de  
**BASQUIAT**

Born December 22, 1960, Jean-Michel Basquiat was an American artist of Haitian-Puerto Rican descent. His mother, Matilde, instilled a love for art in Basquiat by taking him to Manhattan art museums; inspired by the portraits hanging in museums, Basquiat soon began to lean into the craft. At nineteen, he transformed the floors, doors, and furniture of his friend's home with his own artworks, later taking on the walls of New York City with graffiti spray paint. He used his obsessive scribbling and skull designs to paint his legacy through the city and worldwide.

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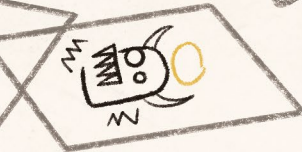
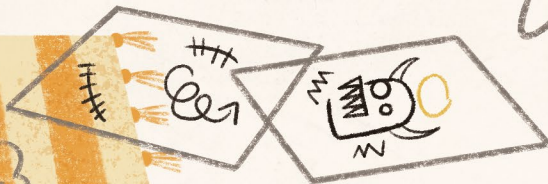
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At an early age, he learned to draw  
using his father's work supplies.



A una edad temprana, aprendió a dibujar  
con los útiles de trabajo de su padre.



His mother noticed that his drawings were messy,  
bright, and bold! She encouraged him to  
continue expressing himself.



¡Su madre notó que sus dibujos eran desordenados,  
brillantes y atrevidos! Ella lo animó  
a seguir expresándose.



As he got older, Jean-Michel spray-painted drawings and words on buildings and subway trains all over town.



A medida que crecía, Jean-Michel pintaba con pintura en aerosol dibujos y palabras en edificios y trenes subterráneos por toda la ciudad.

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Jean-Michel and his friend Andy Warhol  
loved to paint and collaborate.  
They created almost 200 paintings together.



A Jean-Michel y a su amigo Andy Warhol  
les encantaba pintar y trabajar juntos.  
Crearon casi 200 obras de arte juntos.

