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THE WHOLE WORLD?
Painting, Parody & Disguise
The act of pushing colored pigment around a surface with hair wrapped around the tip of a stick to make an image. Sometimes this colored mud leaves the canvas and turns into a sculpture.

“Painting and sculpture are very archaic forms. It’s the only thing left in our industrial society where an individual alone can make something with not just his own hands, but brains, imagination, heart maybe.”

-Philip Guston

Taking serious art not so serious and making it hilariously serious. Wearing a beret while making anything. “Wearing that beret makes you look like a parody.”

To conceal a piece of art behind a large concrete pillar. “The huge pillars totally disguise the art on the walls.”

Changing the look of something with a mustache. “Is that painting wearing a mustache disguise?”

- Michael Stillion
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