

We ♥ Kids' TV... with Gregg Sulkin



Not only is this my last **sky magazine** column, but we've also filmed the last-ever episode of **Wizards of Waverly Place**!

I thought I wasn't going to cry after me and my co-stars (including Selena Gomez, inset) shot our final scenes, but I sobbed like a four-year-old!

We had a prom-themed wrap party afterwards, which was great fun. They showed us a 20-minute gag reel of all the funny stuff that happened over the four seasons. It was hilarious! The show will always be special to me because it gave me my break in America.

Talking of breaks, I haven't had a vacation in a while, so hopefully I can get some time at the beach this month. Make sure you check out brand-new episodes of the hilarious **Pair of Kings**, Thursdays, 5pm, Disney XD (607). And I just want to say thank you for reading. I hope you've enjoyed the column as much as I have. Have a great summer!



Boomer and Brady are back in *Pair of Kings*



Where the Jassa Ahluwalia from Disney Junior's *Art Attack*

ART ATTACK Weekdays, 3.25pm,
Disney Junior (611)

ITV's children's favourite *Art Attack*

is back with a fresh lick of paint on Disney Junior this month. The new version of the show that encourages children to explore art has many of the elements from the original, including Big Art Attacks, as well as fresh ones like new character Vincent Van Coconut. It's guaranteed to make kids want to get their fingers messy! New presenter Jassa Ahluwalia gives us his top 10 ways to encourage children's creativity...

1 Check your cupboards!

The Big Art Attacks are fantastic and will come together from anything lying around, from an old coat to CDs. Me and my sister would try and make the Big Art Attacks from the old show in the garden, which was great fun!

2 Give it a go

The whole point of the show is getting through that 'oh, I can't do it' attitude. You can do it – just have a go and be creative.

3 Make time

My mum urged us every Sunday to get the paints out and get messy. We always used to make our own birthday cards for our parents. There was quite a lot of arts and crafts growing up.

4 Feed their imagination

I remember me and my sister turned our living room into a pirate ship! A rocking chair at the front of the room, sofa at the back, two ropes either side – that was our pirate ship! Any way of expressing yourself creatively is fantastic for kids.

5 Watch as a family

Art Attack is fantastic because it's really for family viewing. While doing the

PHOTOS:



art is!

gives us his top 10 tips to help your kids get creative...

Jassa lets his imagination run riot – you can too!

show, I'm encouraging children to make sure they get their parents to help them if things are a bit fiddly.

6 Forget perfection

You don't have to be a great artist to be great at art. If it doesn't come out the way I make it, I'd still say it's perfect! It makes it more individual – that's the whole point of the show, to inspire their creativity. With young kids there's no such thing as a bad drawing – it's personal to them. It's their expression.

7 Make it your own

It's not prescriptive – we're not saying 'you must do this, these are the steps'. We're showing you the idea and you take it and run with it. If you don't have a red pen, use a blue one. It will look great and make it more personal to you.

8 Think big

There will be quite impressive 'makes' that more ambitious children

will be able to do – with a bit of help from their parents. There's a real variety of projects, so there are little things you can do by yourself. Then, if you want to maybe go for a more ambitious and inspirational make, you can try that too.

9 Improvise

Make sure there are basic things around the house that kids can use; paper, pens, pencils, anything where they can sit down and let their mind go free. If they're really keen they'll make an effort to get hold of a few extra bits.

10 Have fun!

Filming the show is brilliant fun but very tiring! There's really not a shortage of colour – everything's bright and fantastic. I get to be creative, play with paints, pens and pencils and make things. *Art Attack* is such a well-known, iconic, almost historic brand, so parents are going to be able to enjoy it too.

MORE KIDS' TV THIS MONTH



NEW SERIES BATMAN: THE BRAVE AND THE BOLD Weekdays from Mon 25, 12noon, Cartoon Network (601)
Batman travels beyond Gotham City to face evil. Luckily for him, he has the help of Blue Beetle, Green Arrow and Aquaman!



NEW PUPPY IN MY POCKET Weekdays from Mon 4, 3.30pm, Boomerang (603)
Join Kate, her pet Magic and kitty Ava in the world of Pocketville, where they match children in need of a friend with magical pets.

WIN WITH SKY

WIN! THE BIG TIME RUSH ALBUM

BIG TIME RUSH WEEK From Mon 11, 10am, Nickelodeon/HD (604)
We've got 20 copies of Big Time Rush's debut album up for grabs. To enter our prize draw, send your name and phone number, with BIG TIME RUSH in the subject bar, to skymagcomps@bskyb.com or post to **sky magazine, Big Time Rush Comp, BSkyB, Grant Way, Isleworth, Middlesex TW75QD**. Parents can enter for children under 18. Closing date: 9am on 29 July 2011. **sky magazine** T&Cs apply, see p80.

