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TRAVEL

Bilingual storytime
and ART workshop
with ARTE AMÉRICAS
at Betty
Rodriguez
Library



August 15

***Mama's Magnificent
Dancing Plantitas***

Still Life Plant Drawing

**Betty Rodriguez Library
3040 N Cedar Ave,
Fresno, CA 93703**

**EVERYONE IS WELCOME!
ADMISSION IS FREE.**



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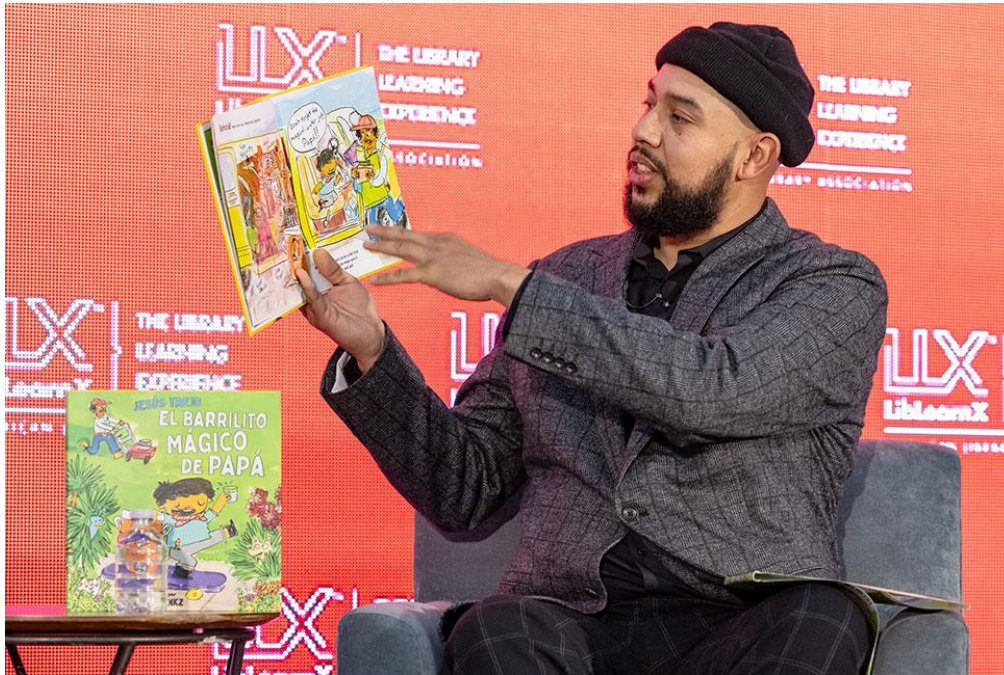
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**Las magníficas plantitas bailadoras
de mamá**

**Written by/ Escrito por Jesús Trejo
Illustrated/ Ilustrado por Eliza Kinkz**

Who is Jesús Trejo?

¿Quién es Jesús Trejo?



- Is an author of two books; the one we are reading today and *Papá's Magical Water-Jug Clock* which have received the Pura Belpre Honors Award in 2024.
- Is a stand-up comedian from Long Beach, CA.
- Has a show on YouTube called Tacos con Todo where he is in search of the best tacos in LA.
- He is also a girl dad.

[About | Jesus Trejo](#)

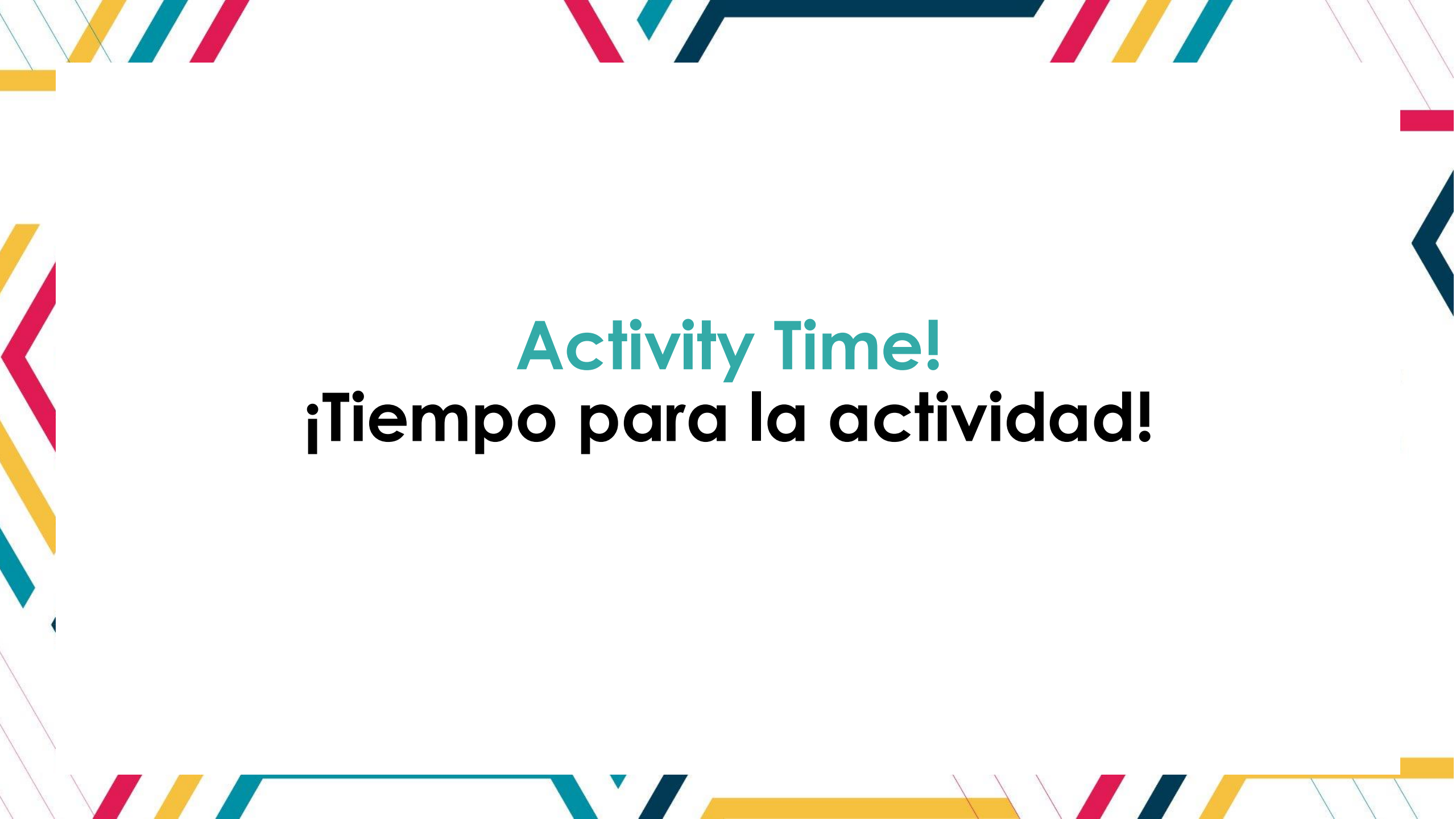
Who is Eliza Kinkz?

¿Quién es Eliza Kinkz?

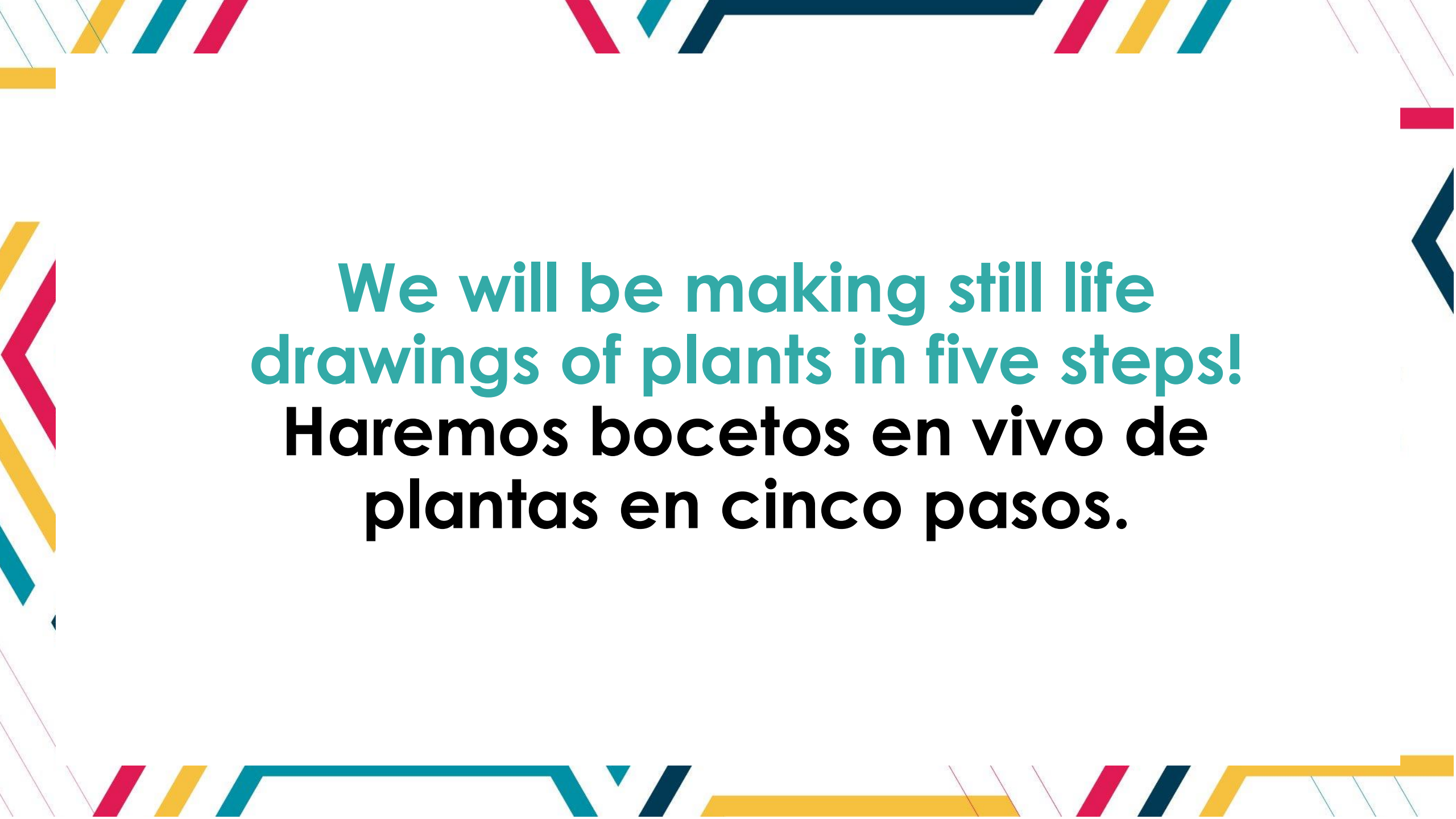


- Eliza shares she knew she wanted to make children's books since she was in kindergarten.
- Went to school at Columbus College of Art & Design and UCLA's Animation Workshop.
- Her favorite hobbies include gardening, yoga, and baking.
- Is a mom of two young kids.

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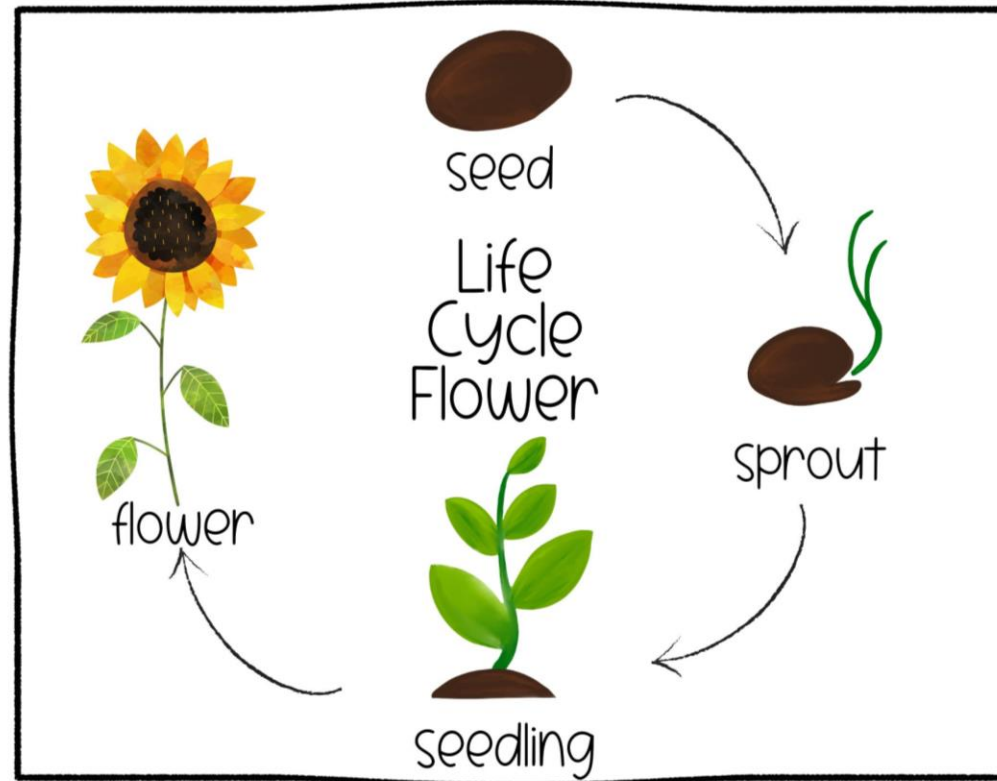
Activity Time!
¡Tiempo para la actividad!

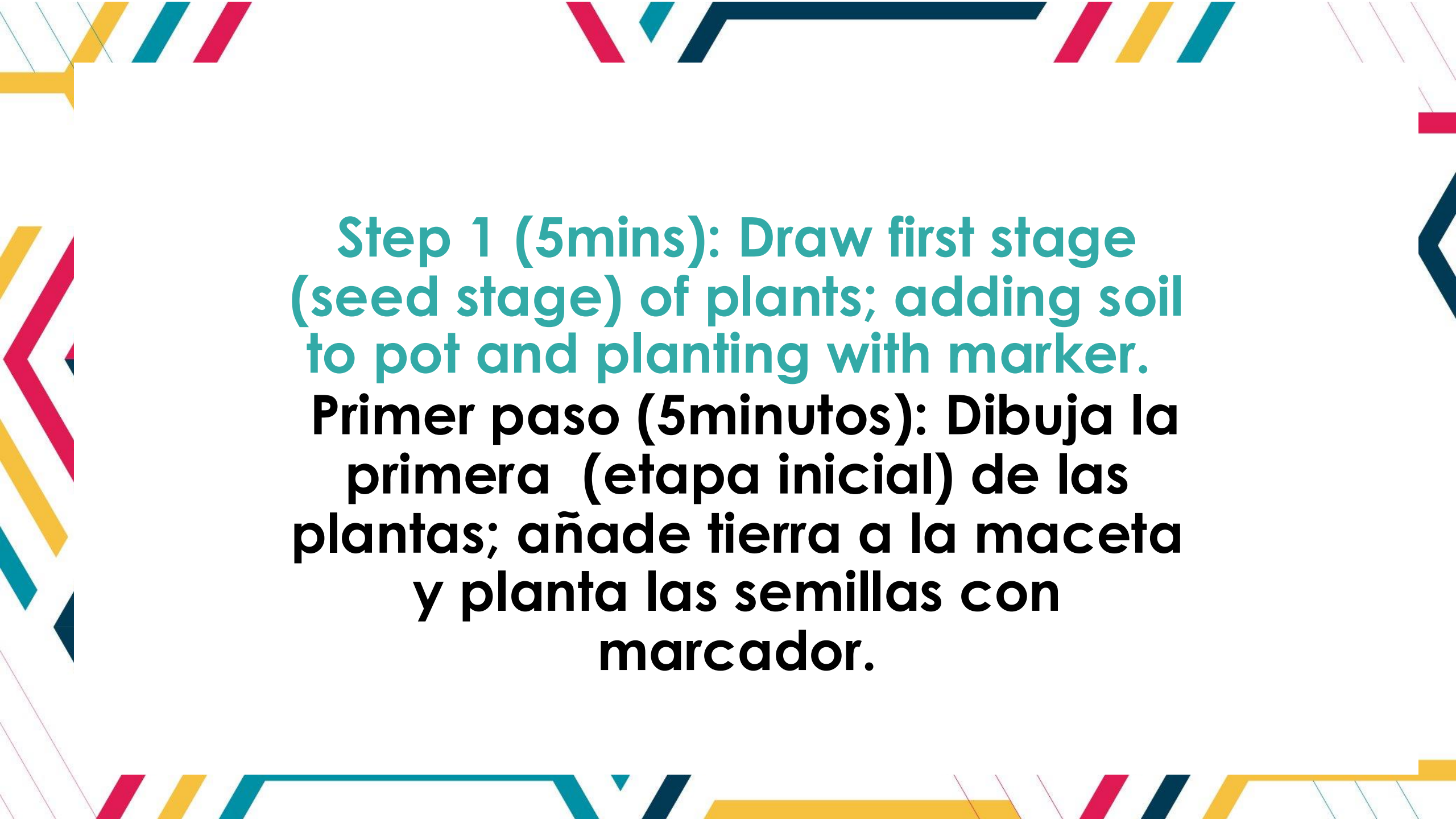


**We will be making still life
drawings of plants in five steps!**
**Haremos bocetos en vivo de
plantas en cinco pasos.**

Plant Life Cycle!

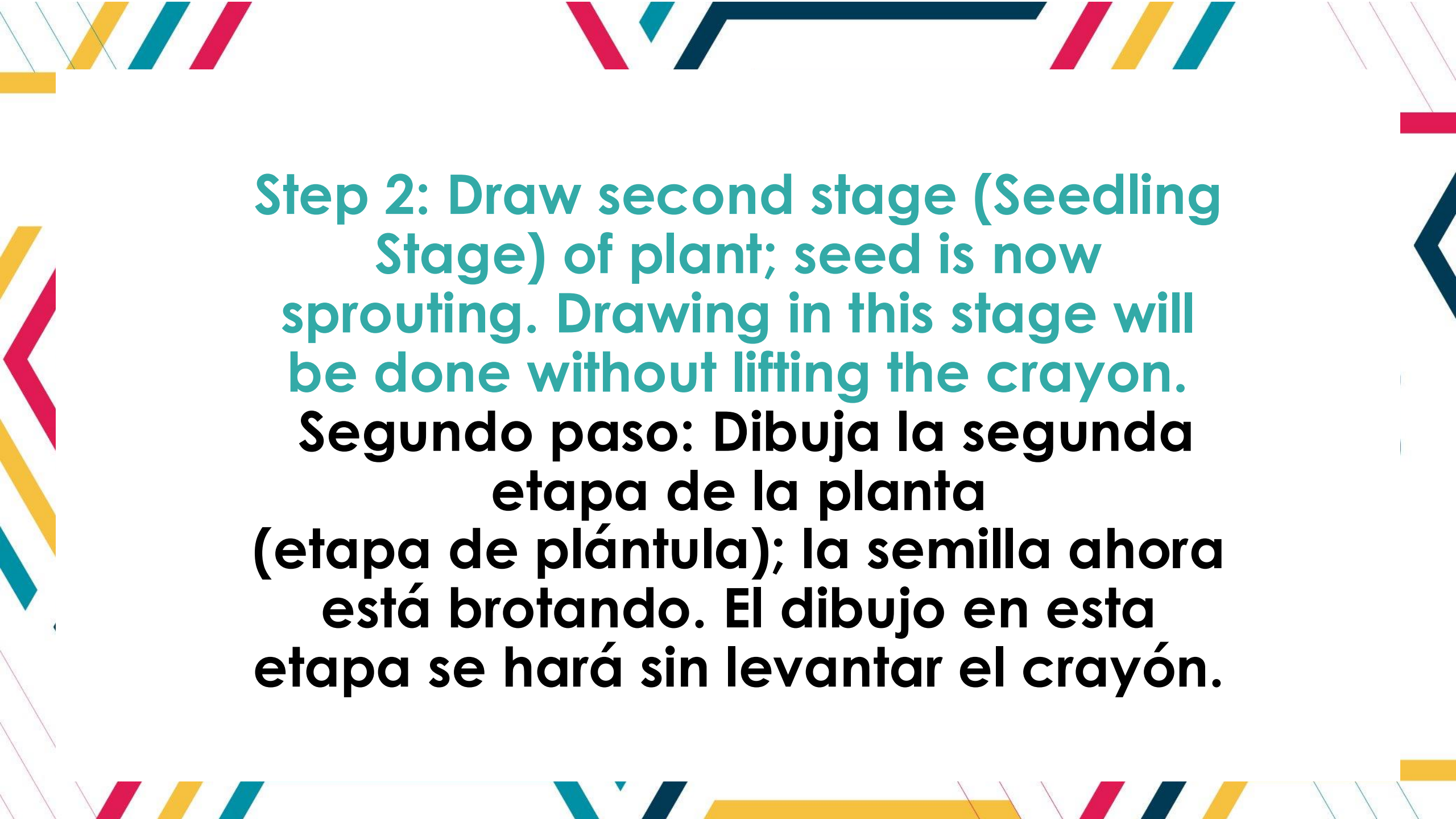
¡Ciclo de vida de plantas!





**Step 1 (5mins): Draw first stage
(seed stage) of plants; adding soil
to pot and planting with marker.**

**Primer paso (5minutos): Dibuja la
primera (etapa inicial) de las
plantas; añade tierra a la maceta
y planta las semillas con
marcador.**



Step 2: Draw second stage (Seedling Stage) of plant; seed is now sprouting. Drawing in this stage will be done without lifting the crayon.

Segundo paso: Dibuja la segunda etapa de la planta (etapa de plántula); la semilla ahora está brotando. El dibujo en esta etapa se hará sin levantar el crayón.

Step 3: Draw last stage of plant (Adult Stage); still life drawing of plant located near your table with drawing pencil.

Tercer paso: Dibuja la última etapa (etapa adulta) de la planta; sigue haciendo un dibujo en vivo de la planta que está cerca de tu mesa con lápiz.

Step 4: After still life drawing, it is time to add features and character to your plants. Choose which drawing you would like. Make lines bold.

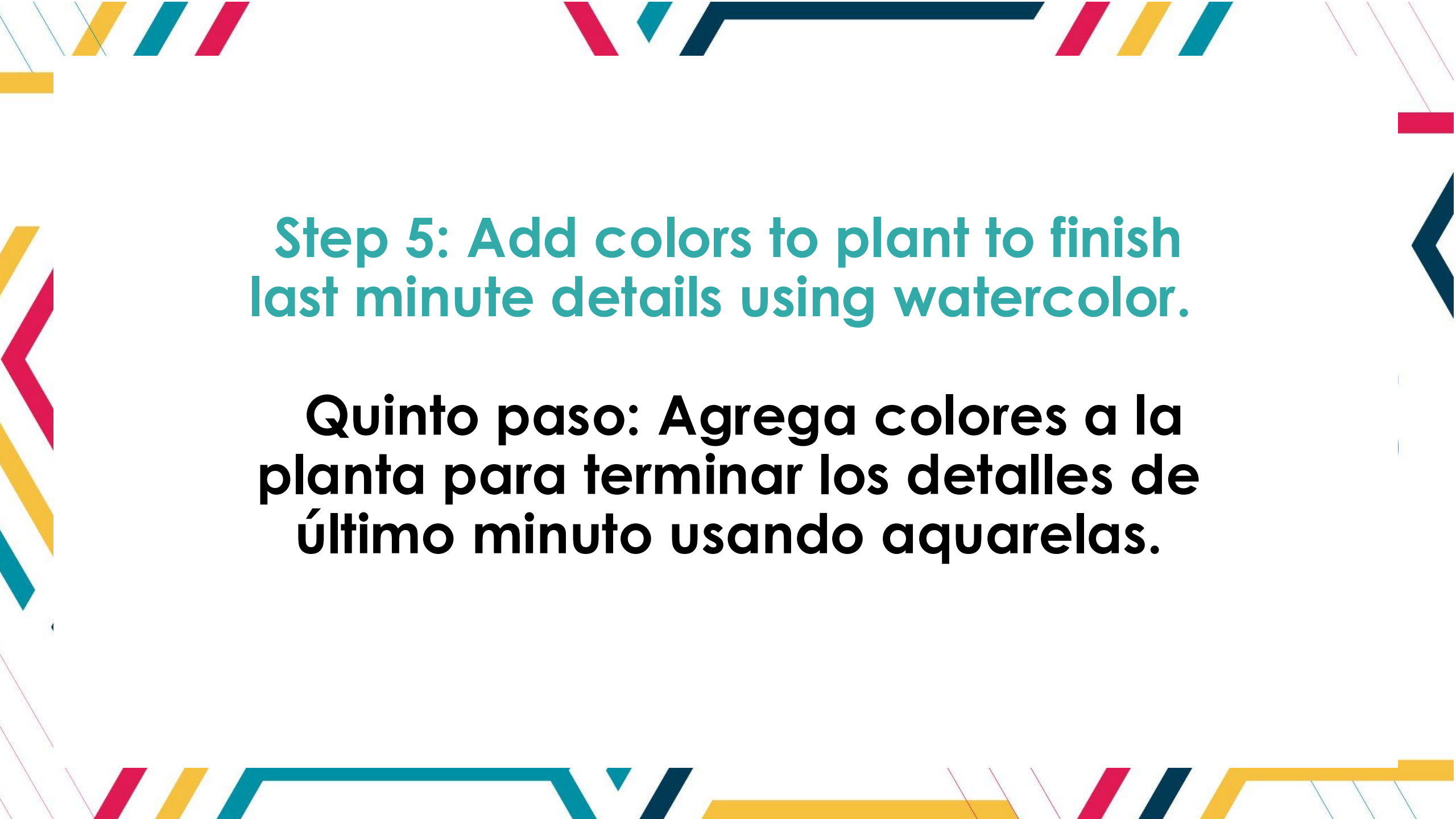
For example:

- **Facial expressions to your pot and plants**
 - **Are they talking?**
 - **How do they feel?**

Cuarto paso: Después de un dibujo en vivo, es hora de agregar rasgos y carácter a tus plantas. Escojan el dibujo que gusten.

Por ejemplo:

- **Expresiones faciales a tu maceta y plantas**
 - **¿Están hablando?**
 - **¿Cómo se sienten?**



Step 5: Add colors to plant to finish last minute details using watercolor.

Quinto paso: Agrega colores a la planta para terminar los detalles de último minuto usando acuarelas.

A decorative border composed of various geometric shapes, including triangles and parallelograms, in shades of yellow, teal, and magenta, arranged in a pattern around the edges of the slide.

Show and Tell!

¡Mostrar y compartir!

Take piece of plant to plant at home.

Tomar un trozo de planta para plantar en casa.

Pothos plant



Swiss cheese plant



Jade plant



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Thank you!

Muchas gracias!

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