Seashells 2 - Sort

Here are 3 more watercolor paintings of seashells by artist Nan Tull. If you completed Seashell 1 – Match, you must be an expert at observing!

It’s time to . . .

Sort

Collect 20 or more seashells. Get as many different kinds as you can. Spread them out. Look closely at each. Think about how you might want to sort your collection.
You might sort by

**Size** - smallest to biggest
**Color** - grey, white, pink, purple, yellow, orange, mixed
**Texture** - very smooth, sort of smooth, bumpy, very bumpy
**Shape** - spiral or flat

When you create a grouping system for sorting you are creating a **typology**. Pick one way to sort, sort your shells, then mix them up and sort a different way.

What other typologies can you come up with? After you try a few, choose your favorite typology and make an arrangement. You could ask someone to take a picture. We’d love to see it! aducharme@mvmuseum.org