Get handy with calligraphy

This calligraphy artwork by Christine Marr is one of a pair installed in the Radiology Department at Salisbury District Hospital. Created in 1993 Christine uses inks and gouache paint to illustrate the historic developments of X-rays. The central drawing of a hand has been made up with words to look like the bones they represent, as seen on an X-ray.

Phalanges = finger bones
Metacarpals = palm bones
Carpals = wrist bones
Ulna & Radius = arm bones

You will need:

- printed calligraphy sheet (right)
- tracing paper *optional
- ink fountain pen or chisel tip felt pen

Instructions:

Either copy the letters with some tracing paper or try out in the space below.

Other ideas and tips:

- Trace around your own hand and fill in the names of the bones using your calligraphy skills!
- Look up the medical names of other bones in your body - do a group calligraphy drawing by tracing round a whole body on a piece of wallpaper and fill in names of bones that you have researched.
- For smaller children draw around your hand, let them draw in the bones using a white wax crayon or candle and then paint over the top with dark coloured paint for a wax resist picture

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