

Garden of Art

This exercise will focus on art processes with an emphasis on nature. Try this simple flower garden craft to create a whimsical landscape of art, any time of year.

Grade Level: K4 & Up
Time: 2 Class Periods
Difficulty: Easy
Clean Up: Soap & Water

Materials Used:

Roylco *Color Diffusing Paper*,
12x18" (R15212),
Roylco *Paint Pipettes* (R5449)
Roylco *Junior Paint Spritzer*
(R54466)
Roylco *Fingerpaint*
"No Mess" Tray (R7512)
Roylco *Classroom Bowls* (R5519)
liquid watercolor paints
water
misting bottle
paper towels
pencil
eraser
brushes,
markers



Step 1

On a sheet of Color Diffusing Paper, use a pencil to draw a flower garden. Don't worry about creating realistic looking flowers for this project. We're reducing nature to abstraction. Add spirals or swirls, circles, long, curly stems, star-shaped leaves, etc. Try to fill the space up with lots of fun and whimsical flowers, shoots, sprouts, leaves and grass.

Step 2

Once you're satisfied with your drawing, begin adding your liquid watercolors to the color diffusing paper. This paper is designed to spread out the colors, so don't worry too much about keeping your colors inside your pencil lines. If you want to control the paint more, try using a brush with a small amount of paint. To cover larger areas, use a misting bottle, or our Paint Pipettes. To blend the colors together, spray with clean water. You'll have to let your paper dry before you move forward.

Step 3

Once it is dry, you should still be able to see your pencil drawing beneath your colors. Using a black marker, go back over your drawing. Don't be afraid to modify your original drawing slightly, using your colors as a guide.

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