

Kindergarten Lessons

Lesson #1: Unknown, Standing Bison #1



Presentation: Tell students how ancient cultures used to use paintings to tell stories. This was a way that they wrote things down because they didn't have paper.

Project: Stencil rubbings– Have the kids create their own stories by using the rubbing templates (in art masterpiece room) and side of a crayon (in brown, black, red and yellow). This can be done on brown paper bags to make them look authentic or on white drawing paper.

Supplies Needed:

- Rubbing Templates
- Crayons (brown, black, red, yellow)
- Paper bags or white or light colored construction paper

Fun Idea: Make a cave out of sheets and attach cave drawings. Have kids crawl through with a flashlight one at a time.

Special points of interest:

Supplies for projects listed here will be supplied by the PTO and are in the Art Masterpiece closet

Alternative Projects or projects other than the those listed here will not be reimbursed by the PTO

Lesson #2: Howard A. Terpning, Offerings of the Little People



Presentation: How does your family celebrate traditions? What time of day is it in the painting? (have the kids notice the soft early morning light). The scene in the picture depicts a ceremony in which tobacco seeds are being planted.

Project:

Cut construction paper in different shapes about 3x2 inches. (sizes may vary).

The students should then draw their “gifts” on the construction paper using the markers. Ask them to be creative in their “gift giving”. They can draw anything from animals to clothing to video games.

Cut the yarn or string in various sizes, about 3-4 inches.

Tape a piece of yarn to the individual pieces of construction paper.

When all the pieces of construction paper have yarn attached, gather all the strings and tape to the top of the straw. (Younger children may need help with this step).

Supplies Needed:

- Construction Paper
- Markers
- Yarn or any kind of string
- Straws (try to use unbendable straws)
- Masking Tape

Lesson #3: Pablo Picasso, Melancholy Woman #72— Abstract Expressionism (blue period)



Presentation: The children should learn how Picasso used color to show his feelings at the moment in time. How was he feeling?

Project: Blue period art– use blue drawing paper. Have the kids draw a picture of something that makes them feel the way Picasso did by using many shades of blue crayons.

Supplies Needed:

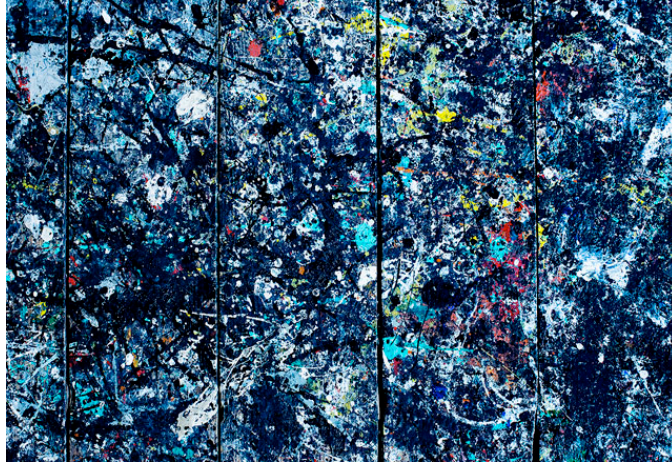
- Blue drawing paper
- Crayons, markers, colored pencils

There is a cute book called “Pablo Picasso Breaking All the Rules” you may want to read to the class. Check in the Art Masterpiece closet for a copy.

Did you know Picasso’s full name was:

Pablo Diego Jose Francisco de Paula Juan Nepomuceno Maria de los Remedios Cipriano de la Santisima Trinidad Ruiz Picasso.

Lesson #4: Jackson Pollock, Composition, #6– Abstract/Action



Presentation: What kind of mood do you think Jackson Pollock was in when he painted this? He used his painting to express his moods. He actually splattered the paint onto the canvas.

Project: Marble painting– Use robe box lids (in art masterpiece room). Place white drawing paper in the bottom– it may have to be cut down. Put paint in bowls and dip marbles into it– place in box and gently move box top back and forth.

Supplies Needed:

- Robe box lids (ie. Shirt boxes....located on the top shelf in the Art Masterpiece closet)
- White drawing paper or light colored construction paper
- Marbles
- Liquid paint

Lesson #5: Norman Rockwell, Triple Self-Portrait, #77 Self Portrait



Presentation: This portrait expresses how Norman Rockwell felt about himself. It tells a story (as all of his paintings do) about things that are important to him.

Project: Self-portrait– Give the kids a sheet of drawing paper and have them draw a picture with colored pencil of how they see themselves (if you like, you can use a head portrait sheet to guide them). Encourage them to include things in their portrait that are important to them. You can also have them look at themselves in mirrors.

Supplies Needed:

- White drawing paper
- Colored pencils