

Summer Sky Watercolor

Reflect on colors and shapes found in nature. Then use watercolor to blend colors and create a visual representation of a summer sky.

AGE: Teens

TIMEFRAME: 30-45 Minutes

SUPPLIES NEEDED:

- Cardstock Canvas
- Watercolors
- Cup of water

VALUES:

- Respect yourself + each other
- Respect your space + materials
- Respect your art + express yourself



Watch the video tutorial at <https://youtu.be/e-RU3C-NAj4>

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Prep + Reflect:

Prep all your materials and art space. Supplies are listed above. Then think about a summer sky. What colors, shapes, lines and movements come to mind? What kind of summer sky relaxes you? What kind of summer sky would you like to create?



2

Color Selection:

Look at your watercolor palette (colors). Think about what colors you want to use to create your vision of a summer sky.



3

Explore with Watercolors:

Cover your paper with a layer of water. Then, add color to it. Explore different techniques using your watercolors. You can apply color and shapes by blending or layering colors and creating gradients (gradual shifts from light to dark or dark to light). You can even splatter your paints!

Example Process: Using purple and pink hues, add a layer of wavy lines from the bottom to the top. Add another stack of purple and pink wavy lines on top of that. Then, add a final layer of water to blend all of the colors.



4

Finishing Touches:

After you have finished your painting exploration, add any desired details or accents to your work! Display your finished art piece and/or share it with others!



HOW WAS IT?

Thank you for taking part in this activity! Do you have any suggestions or questions you'd like to share with us at the Museum? Email education@thinkplaycreate.org.

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