

Inspired by Spring

DO IT YOURSELF: PAINTED ROCKS



Materials

- CLEAN/DRY ROCKS (FROM OUTDOORS OR PURCHASED FROM CRAFT STORE)
- PAINT BRUSHES AND WATER FOR RINSING (VARIOUS SIZES & SMALL BRUSHES FOR DETAIL WORK RECOMMENDED)
- PAINT IN VARIOUS COLOURS (ACRYLIC OR TEMPERA RECOMMENDED)
- CLEAR SEALANT (OPTIONAL, SPRAY-ON RECOMMENDED)
- NEWSPAPER/DROP CLOTH FOR WORKING STATION
- REFERENCE IMAGES (IF REQUIRED)

Instructions

- CHOOSE ROCKS SUITABLE FOR PAINTING: SHOULD PREFERABLY HAVE AT LEAST ONE FLAT SIDE - BUT, ANYTHING GOES!
- ENSURE THE ROCKS ARE THOROUGHLY CLEANED AND DRY PRIOR TO PAINTING
- MAKE A PLAN! EACH ROCK CAN BE TOTALLY DIFFERENT, OR YOU CAN THINK OF A MATCHING THEME; FIND REFERENCE IMAGES ONLINE OR USE YOUR IMAGINATION (WE CHOSE CANADIAN, FEMALE ARTISTS IN THE THEME OF SPRING)
- PAINT YOUR ROCK BACKGROUND AS A "BASE"; ALLOW TO DRY
- ADD DETAILS TO YOUR ROCK PAINTING ON TOP OF THE BASE; YOU CAN PAINT "<u>WET-ON-DRY</u>" TO ENSURE DISTINCT COLOURS OR PAINT "WET-ON-WET" FOR MORE ABSTRACT DESIGNS; YOUR CREATIVE STYLE IS UP TO YOU!
- ALLOW COMPLETED PAINTED ROCKS TO DRY FULLY; LEAVE AS-IS OR ADD A CLEAR COAT ON TOP TO SEAL
- USE YOUR ROCKS INDOORS OR OUTDOORS TO BRIGHTEN YOUR SPACES WITH YOUR D.I.Y INSPIRED ART WORK!

Reference Images below!





Inspired by Maud Lewis

UNTITLED (WHITE CATS WITH BLUE EYES), C. 1965, OIL ON BOARD, PRIVATE COLLECTION



Image source: https://mcmichael.com/exhibition-of-nova-scotia-folk-artist-maud-lewis-debuts-at-themcmichael-canadian-art-collection-this-summer/





Inspired by Prudence Heward

VASE OF FLOWERS II, C. 1940-1946, OIL ON PLYWOOD, NATIONAL GALLERY OF CANADA



Image source: https://www.wikiart.org/en/prudence-heward/vase-of-flowers-ii-c-1940-1946





Inspired by Christi Belcourt

(COLOURING PAGE BASED ON ORIGINAL ARTWORK) FROM EARTH TO SKY: EVERYTHING WE NEED IS RIGHT HERE 2010, ACRYLIC ON CANVAS



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