

MAGICAL APPEARING PICTURES

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OBJECTIVE

For ages 6-12

Introduces the concept of *resist art*.

In *resist art*, an image or design is typically created on a canvas/paper first and then a layer of color is applied to the canvas, revealing the first design as a negative image.

Apply oil pastel to paper and then paint on top of the design with watercolor. Because oil and water don't mix, areas covered in oil pastel will not absorb the paint, but will "resist" it.

MATERIALS

Cray-Pas® Oil Pastels

Koi® Pocket Field Sketch Kit or Koi® Water Color Tubes

Koi® Water Brush or paint brush and water

Cardstock

Colored Paper

TIP

After swishing the wet brush around in a color, brush it onto a plastic palette before heading to your paper. You can add more paint to the tip of your brush by dabbing it on the palette color. This helps remove the excess water from the brush so your paper doesn't get too soggy. You can also mix custom colors on the palette with this technique.

STEP 1 – DRAW

Draw a picture or message with white oil pastel on a sheet of white cardstock (any paper will do but thicker paper will absorb the watercolors better).

STEP 2 – PAINT

Paint over the oil pastels with watercolors. Your design will be revealed!

VARIATION – COLORED PAPER

Try this technique with colored paper. Draw on colored paper with an oil pastel that matches the paper color. Try red oil pastel on red paper, yellow oil pastel on yellow paper, etc.

VARIATION – COLOR FREESTYLE

Draw with any color of pastel on paper. You can skip the hidden pictures aspect and simply have fun with the resist art combination of oil pastels and watercolor.

VARIATION – EXPERIMENT

Experiment with light watercolors on dark paper. Try white and yellow watercolors on top of red paper for a cool effect.