

# Ames Public Library @HOME Activities

## Art!

Art helps us to express feelings, exercise our creativity, and even relieve stress. Making art can also encourage us to be curious, look for answers, develop ideas, and connect with each other. See a related video on the Library's YouTube Channel at <http://bit.ly/APLvideos>.

### Books and Media:

Title	Author / Performer	Call Number
<i>Cool String Art: Creative Activities That Make Math &amp; Science Fun for Kids!</i>	Hanson, Anders	J 516 HAN
<i>Make It Yourself! : Coloring &amp; Doodling</i>	Polinsky, Paige	J 680 POL
<i>The School of Art: Learn How To Make Great Art with 40 Simple Lessons</i>	Triggs, Teal	J 700 TRI
<i>Art Lab for Kids</i>	(Quarry Books)	J 702.8 SCH
<i>Are You an Art Sleuth? Look, Discover, Learn!</i>	Bunkers, Traci	J 745.5 BUN
<i>The Usborne Book of Art Ideas</i>	Watt, Fiona	J 745.5 WAT
<i>Looking at Pictures An Introduction to Art For Young People</i>	Richardson, Joy	J 750.1 RIC
<i>The Usborne Art Treasury</i>	Dickins, Rosie	J 750.11 DIC
<i>I Love to Paint! My Very Favorite Art Book</i>	Lipse, Jennifer	J 751.4 LIP
<i>123 I Can Paint!</i>	Luxbacher, Irene	J 751.4 LUX
<i>Play, Make, Create, a Process-Art Handbook</i>	Cherry, Meri	J PC 745.5 CHE 2019
<i>Getting to Know Color In Art: An Instructional Program for Grades K-4 (DVD)</i>	(Getting To Know, Inc)	J 701.85 (DVD) GET

### Websites:

URL	Notes
<a href="https://www.britannica.com/browse/Painting">https://www.britannica.com/browse/Painting</a>	
<a href="https://artsandculture.google.com/project/games?hl=en">https://artsandculture.google.com/project/games?hl=en</a>	Gives you options for interactive fun. From word puzzles to coloring famous paintings, there is something for everyone who loves art.

## Vocabulary

**Abstract Art** - Any form of art that does not represent things in the real world, but is composed simply of shapes or color.

**Canvas** – a firm, closely woven cloth usually made of linen, hemp, or cotton. It is used to make clothing tents or sails.

**Creativity** – The use of the imagination and original ideas to make art, or an artistic work.

**Collage** – The technique of creating images by selecting, cutting out, and sticking down bits of paper and other printed material. The term comes from the French *coller*, to stick.

**Doodling** – Is the act of creating drawings in an unconscious or unfocused manner. Doodles often consist of repeated patterns that are familiar to the doodler.

**Graffiti** – A form of visual communication, usually illegal, involving the unauthorized marking of public space by an individual or group.

**Mixed media** – A term that refers to a work of art that includes a combination of materials. This might include painting, found objects, video, and photographs.

**Mural Painting** – Painting that made on the surface of a wall or ceiling.

**Pigment** – is a material that gives something color. Pigments used to be derived from natural substances such as soil, plant, or animal matter. Today many pigments are made synthetically.

**Tempera Painting** – Is an ancient art medium that has been used by most of the world's cultures. True tempera is made by mixing egg yolk with pigment (color).

**Zentangle** - A Zentangle is a drawing method that uses repetitive shapes.

Sources: <https://www.britannica.com/browse/Painting>

*13 Art Techniques Children Should Know* by Angela Wenzel (J 702.8 WEN)

*Make it Yourself! Coloring & Doodling* by Paige V. Polinsky (J 680 POL)



## Take Away Kit: Art!

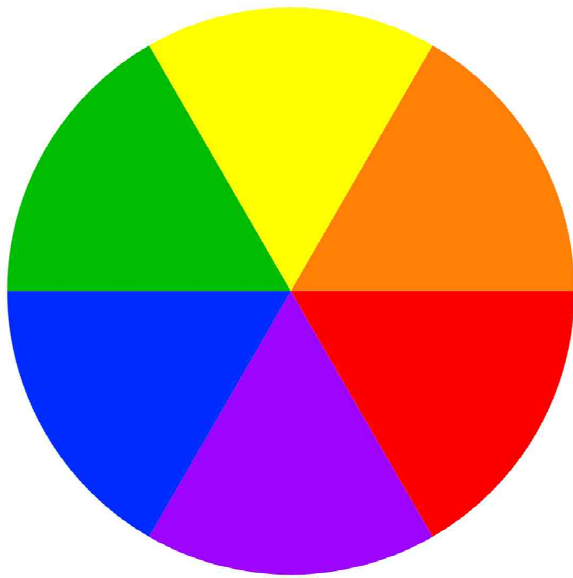
### Bag Contents:

- 1 Canvas
- 1 Brush
- 3 containers of washable tempera paint

Your bag contains a canvas, brush and paint. You will need a small container of water, and some waste rags or paper to clean your brush. Before you begin to paint, you may want to lay down some old newspaper under your canvas, in case of drips or spills.

Before you start to paint, it's a good idea to have a plan of what you want to paint. You can make some sketches on paper, or make a composition on the canvas.

When you are ready to paint, moisten the brush with water and then dip the brush in paint and begin. Remember you can mix the three primary colors provided to make many more colors. Use the color wheel below and experiment!



*Color Wheel:*

**Primary colors:** Yellow, Red, and Blue.

**Secondary colors:** Orange (Yellow + Red);  
Purple (Red + Blue); Green (Blue + Yellow).



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