

Feeling Crafty Friday - Underwater Silhouette Painting

Materials:

- Canvas or Acrylic Paper (Note: if you do not have these, that's okay! Any paper can work. Try to find paper that is a bit thicker that will hold the paint better, such as cardstock).
- Acrylic paint (blue, white, black)
- Paper plate
- Paint brush (one larger, one smaller)
- Cup of water
- Paper towels
- Newspaper



Instructions:

1. Get your materials ready! Place newspaper on table, canvas/paper over top of the newspaper, put small amounts of each colour paint on paper plate, fill up cup with water, get paint brushes ready.



2. Using white paint, paint a small circle on your page. This is the “sun”!



3. Now, mix a little bit of blue with white to create light blue. Start painting around the white circle with the light blue paint. Add some more white to blend them together. As you make your circle bigger, add some regular blue paint so it begins getting darker.



4. Mix some black with blue paint to continue your circle. This should be the darkest blue area, closest to the corners and edge of your paper.



5. Go back and blend any areas that changed colour too quickly.



6. Now that the water is done, let it dry for a couple of minutes! While you wait, clean your brush in the water and dry on the paper towel. You can also choose which underwater animal you want to paint onto your painting.



7. When your background is dry, use a smaller brush and black paint to paint your sea creature. If you are worried about painting this, try drawing it out or using paint on a separate piece of paper to practice, or cut out some animals from the attached picture and glue them onto your painting. You can also choose another animal to paint if you wanted to.



8. You can now add some other detail around the corners and edges of your painting, like seaweed! To do this, just paint squiggly lines.



9. Your painting is done! While you let it dry, clean up all of the paint, clean your paintbrushes and throw out any garbage. Enjoy your painting!