

Word Art (K/1st)

Week 1

THIS MONTH'S OBJECTIVES

- Become aware of different fonts and typography
- learn the basics of acrylic painting (blending, color mixing, applying paint, etc)
- Learn the basics of brush care to take care of supplies

MONTHLY PROJECT: 8x10 Word Art on Canvas with Acrylic Paint

PROJECT BENCHMARKS:

WEEK 1: Practice drawing and painting fonts (washable paints)

WEEK 2: Design final artwork; paint background with acrylic

WEEK 3: Paint WORD with acrylic

WEEK 4: Add finishing touches; explore creative stations

CLASS OUTLINE:

:00 Arrival Activity

Make a list of words that describe YOU!

:05 Introductions and expectations

New month! Introduce anyone new...go over expectations and the space

Class expectations: Have fun, stay safe, respect studio, respect others

:10 Journals

Invite students to share their journal with a neighbor

Invite students to share with the larger group (maybe someone wants to share something cool they saw in someone else's journal!)

Review the posted guidelines for critiquing and giving feedback

:20 FONT LESSON

Spend some time looking around the room for fonts (magazines too)

Talk about the different fonts, practice drawing them on the board

Introduce the project for the month

:35 Practice

Use the quarter-size prompt sheets to practice writing the arrival activity words in different fonts (use pens and paint)

:50 Review

Hang up finished mini drawings on the wall and share

Recognize students who were great listeners, helpers, critiquers, etc

Remind students to work in their journals (maybe do some cover art!)

:00 Dismiss

Say goodbye at the door to both parents and kids!

Work to learn everyone's names!

REMIND PARENTS AND STUDENTS - Acrylic paint next week

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:00 Arrival Activity

Dirty brush challenge - each student has a brush, a jar of water, access to a soap bottle, and paper towels. Practice cleaning the brushes.

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:15 Project Lesson

Demonstrate how much paint to get, how to blend paint, how to mix colors, etc)

Discuss how to limit waste!

:25 Design and Painting

Each artist gets a sheet of 8x10 canvas

NAMES ON CANVASES in SHARPIE ON BACK!

Each artist designs their background on paper first

Once the design is done and communicated, they may get paint.

Work to paint the background independently. Since we're using acrylics, we can layer the word(s) on NEXT WEEK.

45 CLEAN UP

*Each artist works independently and *WITH MATURITY* to clean his/her area*

:55 Sharing time

Invite students to share their in-progress paintings

:00 Dismiss

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Reminder - Handout December class schedule with ART SHOW FLYER

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:00 Illustrate THIS quote:

Follow Your Heart but Take Your Brain with You.

:05 Discuss the different illustrations

:10 PROJECT

Find everyone's canvases

Draft final words on paper, provide rulers if desired

Artists may draw in pencil (or white charcoal) first if they want

Paint words neatly and cleanly

Add highlights if desired

:40 CLEAN UP

:50 SHARING

If time allows, let the students share their finished paintings

:55 Wrapping up

Put away paintings

Remind students to work in their journals

:00 Dismiss

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Remember -- submit your art show work before January 1st!

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:00 Arrival Activity

:05 GO OVER THE OUTLINE FOR THE NIGHT

We have stations set up to "play" in tonight. Have fun. Be creative.

Go over expectations for the free-for-all (Respect the space. Respect each other)

:10 FREE TIME

Station #1 - Salt Dough ornaments

Station #2 - Playdough

Station #3 - Free Painting (use washable tempera)

Station #4 - Beading

Station #5 - Building with recyclables (and hot glue)

Station #6 - acrylic paint for finishing up paintings (and ONLY for that!)

:50 Wrapping up

Clean hands. Designate helpers to help you RESET the room for the next class.

(everyone else, who doesn't have a job, lines up and waits for dismissal)

Cheat Sheet - CLASS CALENDAR FOR DECEMBER

Monday classes meet on the 7th, 14th, 21st, and 28th

Tuesday classes meet on the 1st, 8th, 15th, and 22nd

MAKE UP OPPORTUNITIES

Monday students who will miss class on the 28th, could come on the 22nd.

Tuesdays students who will miss class on the 22nd, could come on the 28th

Any traveling between the 22nd AND the 28th, is welcome to come to Open Art on the 2nd