Abstract Shadow Painting





- 1. Gather the following materials:
 - Pencil with eraser

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- Paint brush or cotton paint swab
- Watercolor palette and a cup with water
- Sheets of paper

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- 2. For this activity you will need a hardback book or a piece of sturdy cardboard that you can use to press down on.
- 3. Take your pencil, paper, and hardback book (or cardboard) with on a walk around your yard, porch, driveway, or even a sunny window. Look for an area where you see an interesting shadow on the ground.
- 4. Set your paper on the ground so that the shadow is on your paper.
- 5. Trace the outline of the shadow on the paper. Don't worry if it's moving a little. Just draw the shadow the best that you can.
- 6. Continue to walk around and look for more shadows. Add shadow drawings to blank areas of your paper. They can even overlap!
- 7. When your paper is full, or you are happy with the way your paper looks, come back inside.
- 8. Choose a color scheme to paint with.
 - Cool colors: Blue, Green, and Violet
 - Warm Colors: Red, Orange and Yellow
 - Primary Colors: Red, Yellow and Blue
 - Secondary Colors: Green, Orange, Violet
- 9. Paint the shadow shapes on your paper to create an Abstract Shadow Painting.