

Teach art principles & feel free to adapt this to you — creativity is encouraged for both teachers & students.



Watercolor Koi Fish

Ages: 5-12

Materials:

- Watercolors & brushes
- Watercolor paper
- Ultra fine tip sharpie marker

Art Techniques

- Wet on Wet
- Complementary Colors
- Watercolor and ink
- Loose linework

Art Principles

- Balance
- Movement/ Rhythm
- Unity/ Harmony/ Variety

Instructions:

1. Draw the koi fish and lily pads with light pencil lines.
2. Use a waterproof fine-tip sharpie marker to outline your sketch. Use multiple, flowing lines to create movement.
3. Paint the pond water using a wet-on-wet watercolor wash. Let dry. Follow the same pattern for the lily pads and fish. Keep the painting loose and free-flowing.