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



Winter Brown Bear

Ages: 5-12

Materials

- Canvas, acrylics, paintbrushes, white pastel chalk, paper towel

Art Techniques

- Animal Portraiture
- Cartooning
- Splatter Painting
- Dotting

Art Principles

- Emphasis
- Texture
- Asymmetry
- Balance

Instructions

1. Paint the entire canvas a gradient from white to light blue in diagonal strokes. Dry canvas.
2. Paint tree trunks using white paint. Use small, round brush to outline trees in gray and add short horizontal strokes to create texture. Dry canvas.
3. Sketch bear on canvas using white pastel chalk. Wipe mistakes using damp paper towel. Do not sketch facial features at this point in time.
4. Paint bear blocking in solid colors. Add short directional strokes of different shades of brown representing the bear's fur.
5. Once the face is completely dry, then you can draw the facial features using a white pastel pencil. Then paint the facial features with acrylic paint.
6. Splatter paint snow using white acrylic paint. Also make some snow dots with a Q-tip or you can use the back end of your paint brush.

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