







Lesson: HAND-PAINTING CHRISTMAS TREE

Handmade items make amazing gifts, as they are unique and heart-felt! In this lesson, we will create a Christmas Tree painting using your hand as the tree design. You might like to do this activity outside. Let's gather our supplies and start painting!

<p>Step 1</p>	<p>Gather your supplies. You can choose to use acrylic, gouache or watercolour paint for this artwork. We have chosen acrylic paint.</p> <p>You can use sketchbook or watercolour paper, printer paper (acrylic) or card to create your tree painting. Choose your paint colour and gather your brushes, a small jar of clean cool water (to wash your brushes), some paper towel, and a bucket of water, soap and towel (for washing your hand).</p>	 
<p>Step 2</p>	<p>Using a paint brush, select a small amount of paint and gently paint the palm of your hand.</p>	



Step 3	Before the paint dries on your hand, turn your hand over, with fingers close together, and place firmly onto the paper. Gently lift your hand straight up off the paper, so as not to smudge the paint.	
Step 4	Wash your hand with soap and water. Now you can add details to your painting. Add a trunk and dabs of colourful paint to create 'baubles', add some candy-canes, tinsel or a star on top. You may like to add some presents in near the trunk.	
Step 5	Leave your painting to dry. Once it is dry, you can frame it and gift it to someone special!	

We would love to see some of your artwork! Please send a photo of your artwork along with your media permission form to kimbakerdesign@gmail.com.

Please feel free to email me if you have any questions.