



Kehinde Wiley Portraits

Grade Level: K-3

TITLE:

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OBJECTIVE:

The student will be able to use pattern to create a portrait in the style of Kehinde Wiley.

AGE LEVEL:

4-9 years old

REQUIRED MATERIALS:

- Crayons or Oil Pastels
- Watercolor Paints
- Paintbrush
- Display My Art Paper
- Photo of Student
- Scissors
- Glue

INSTRUCTIONS

Kehinde Wiley is a Black painter who was born in Los Angeles, California. He is most well-known for his portraits of Black people against colorful and patterned backgrounds. In 2017, he was commissioned to paint a portrait of Barack Obama for the National Portrait Gallery in Washington D.C.



NATIONAL CORE ART STANDARDS:

Anchor Standard #1

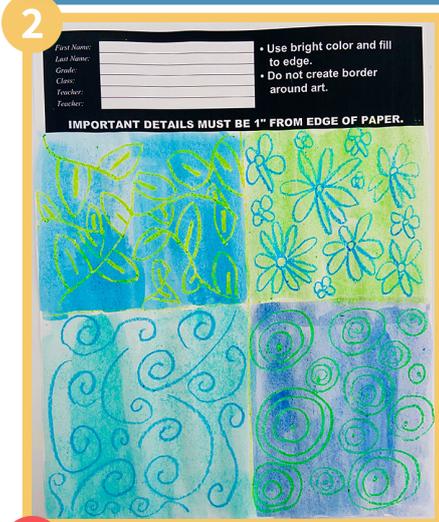
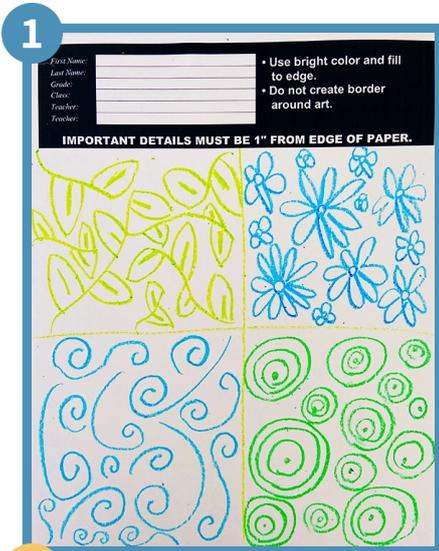
Generate and conceptualize artistic ideas and work.

Anchor Standard #3

Refine and Complete artistic work.

Anchor Standard #5

Develop and refine artistic techniques and work for presentation.



Step 1:

Using crayons or oil pastels, divide the paper into four sections. Before you start drawing, decide if you want to use COOL colors (blue, green, purple) or WARM colors (red, orange, yellow) for your artwork. Once you have made your choice, fill each section with a pattern. Kehinde Wiley often uses natural patterns, such as floral patterns, for his portraits. Look closely at the work of Kehinde Wiley and choose patterns that are influenced by his style. Use a different color for each section, staying within warm or cool colors.

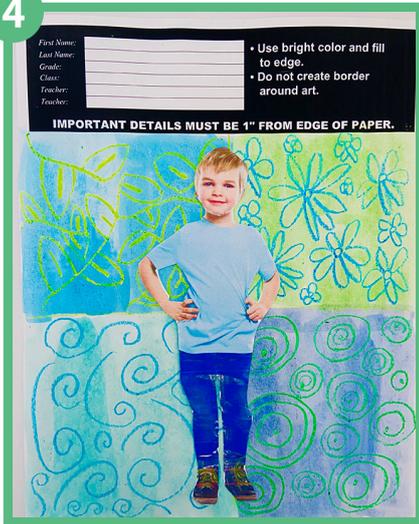
Step 2:

Using the oil resist technique, use watercolor paints to paint over each section. Be sure to use enough water so that the paint doesn't stick to the crayon or oil pastel patterns. Use a different color for each section, staying within warm or cool colors.

Step 3:

Take photos of each student and then print in color or black and white. Kehinde Wiley painted his subjects in powerful poses, have students pose in a way that makes them feel powerful and confident.

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Step 4:

Cut out the photo and glue to the middle of the paper.

** DON'T FORGET TO PUT STUDENT NAME AND YEAR ON THE DRAWING, at least one inch away from the outside border.*

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