

Handprint Flowers with Fingerprint Bees

Preschool



Materials Needed:

Display My Art drawing paper, Washable craft paint, Paintbrush (optional), magic markers

Instructions:

1. **PREPARE BACKGROUND:** In a contrasting color to what your handprints will be, paint a wash of craft paint over entire background (colors shouldn't be too dark so that handprint art will be seen). Allow to dry completely.
*** If you choose to use watercolors for the background, please be careful **NOT** to saturate paper with water! This could cause paper to buckle and possibly make it unscannable.
2. **PAINTING HANDPRINT ART:** Pour small amount of washable craft paint in desired color onto a tray. Gently press child's hand into paint and press in center of drawing paper. Move paper in a circular motion and repeat process so child's handprints form "petals" of a flower
3. **PAINTING STEM AND LEAVES:** With washable craft paint, let child use a paintbrush or finger to paint a straight line down from center of handprints to create stem of flower. Paint leaves on side of stem. Add colorful dot in center of handprints to create center of flower.
4. **PAINTING BUMBLEBEES:** Gently press tip of child's finger into desired color paint on tray. Then press fingertip onto paper around flower to create the body of bee. Allow to dry completely. Add stripes, with a black magic marker, across fingerprint to create bee's stripes. Add eyes and antennas with marker as well.
5. **DON'T FORGET TO PUT STUDENT NAME AND YEAR ON THE DRAWING,** at least one inch away from outside border.