

Galaxy Skies Art Project Grade 2







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Introduction:

Jen Aranyi is an artist that is known for her nature inspired art.

A lot of her art has a black and white scene under a very colorful sky. The sky is usually a combination of colors that she blends together. They look magical. Some skies may turn from purple, to lavender, to blue. Some skies turn from yellow to orange to red.

Sometimes she frames her scenes in a normal rectangle, but she also puts them in circles, squares, and triangles. She also puts them on bookmarks and cards. For the holidays she even paints them on ornaments!

Now you will get to make your own Galaxy Sky!

Suggested Supplies:

Paper, pencil, eraser, something to color with (colored pencils or crayons preferred, but markers can work)

Optional supplies - black marker, bowl or something round to help draw a circle



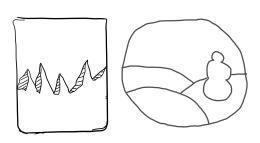
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Step 1: Draw a border in pencil

- Draw a rectangle, square, circle or triangle
- Tip: For size, about the size of your hand works well, but bigger or smaller is OK
- Tip: You can trace an upside down bowl to help with a circle shape

Step 2: Draw a simple scene in pencil

- It is to help see where the sky color will go. You don't have to be very detailed.
- Example scenery are below, or make your own scene





Step 3: Pick colors for your sky

- 3-5 colors work well
- Pick colors that are similar. Colors next to each other on the color wheel blend well (if you can see the colors in the wheel above). Some ideas: Yellow, orange, red. OR green, blue, dark blue, purple.
- Lay them in order you plan to color. Starting with the lighter color often works well.

Step 4: Color the sky

- Imagine your sky being split into layers, like a cake.
- Start at the bottom of the sky and lightly color the first layer the first color The top edge of the color doesn't have to be exact/even wobbly is fine!
- Take your next color and color the next layer of your sky BUT also color a little into your first color to blend the two. For instance, if you started with yellow and went to orange, where they overlap will look a little yellow/orange.
- Continue with all the colors/layers you have until the sky is filled.
- Go back over the colors as needed, blending and filling in as you like











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Step 5: Go over lines with black, and add any details

- Go over any border and scenery lines you want to keep in black
- Add any other details you want, for instance:
 - Extra trees
 - o Snowman features like arms, hat,
 - o Rivers or shrubs
 - o Shading on the side of the mountains

Step 6: You are done! If you'd like some bonus ideas:

- Create galaxy sky art on other things like:
 - o bookmarks,
 - o ornaments,
 - o cards.
- Create galaxy sky art, but with something other than scenery in the front, like a:
 - o house
 - o pet
 - o unicorn



