

Albrecht Durer-1st(bird house)

Color Lesson Plan

Supplies:

white paper
paint brushes
paint trays
tempura paint
water cups
paper towels

Biography:

Albrecht Durer was born in Nuremberg. When he was 15 he was apprenticed to a painter in the town, there he learned painting, wood carving and copper engraving. He spent most of his life working with art but he also enjoyed writing. He was able to get two of his books published before his death in 1528.

Discussion:

- What colors do you see in the artwork?
- Are they cool or warm colors? or both?
- Did the artist use primary or secondary colors? or both?
- Are they close to each other or opposite on the color wheel?
- Look at the picture of the wing of the roller.
- Point out the feathers.
- Point out that although the wing is covered in feathers you can still see the shape of the wing and where the muscles are.
- Ask the students what movements they think the muscles help the bird to make.

Art Project:

- The students should paint their own picture of a birds wing trying to show the muscles and feathers in detail.
- Ask them to use several different colors in their picture, invite them to be creative when choosing their colors. If they want their wing to be green and blue or pink and purple that is ok. The color of the wing doesn't need to be realistic.