

FIRST GRADE Georgia O'Keefe

Nobody sees a flower, really, it is so small. We haven't time - and to see takes time like to have a friend takes time.

If I could paint the flower exactly as I see it no one would see what I see because I would paint it small like the flower is small. So I said to myself - I'll paint what I see - what the flower is to me but I'll paint it big and they will be surprised into taking time to look at it - I will make even busy New Yorkers take time to see what I see of flowers.

...Well, I made you take time to look at what I saw and when you took time to really notice my flower you hung all your own associations with flowers on my flower and you write about my flower as if I think and see what you think and see of the flower - and I don't.

- Georgia O'Keefe

Print: 'Red Poppy IV'

Biography: <http://www.okeeffemuseum.org/her-life.aspx>

Books: Georgia O'Keefe by Mike Venezia
Available in Art Masterpiece Room
And Sequoya Library, Mustang, and
Civic Center

My Name Is Georgia by Jeanette Winter
Available – Sequoya Library, Mustang,
And Civic Center

Materials: Available in Art Masterpiece Room

GEORGIA O'KEEFFE FLOWERS Directions

Materials: Paper 9 x 12
 Black Marker
 Tempera Paints
 Brushes
 Containers for water
 Pencils
 T-shirt smocks to protect clothes

Bring in photographs of flowers, flowers real and / or artificial

Give a short summary of Georgia O'Keeffe's life or read portions of the Georgia O'Keeffe book to the class.

Show and discuss print "Red Poppy"

Have students draw (in pencil) a flower. They are to fill the whole paper with their flower. Check their drawings and then have them go over their lines with a marker. Now they are ready to paint. Explain how there can be many different shades of a color or many different colors all within one flower.

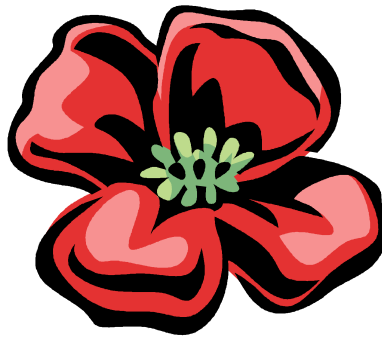
If you'd like, fabric or raised paint can be used to add texture to the center of the flower. Be sure to have them just put it on in dots. It can stain, so you may want to supervise this step. Also, fabric paint takes awhile to dry so don't stack the paintings.

Please also send home a short note letting parents know what project we did in art masterpiece. (Please see sample note at the end of the packet)



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