Huichol Yarn Painting Lesson

Teacher: Carly Burton

Title: Huichol Yarn Painting





Grade Level: Elementary-3rd grade

Historical Connection:

Mexican Huichol yarn paintings are Mexican Folk Art. These paintings were originally created by covering a surface in beeswax and then pressing the yarn into the beeswax. This type of artwork uses bright colors and symbols to tell a story. These decorations date back centuries in Mexican culture.

Goal: Create a yarn painting design that incorporates line, color, and shape

Standards:

- 9.1.3.A-Know and use the elements and principles of each art form to create works in the arts and humanities
- 9.1.3.H-handle materials, equipment and tools safely at work and performance spaces
- 9.2.3.D-Analyze a work of art from its historical and cultural perspective
- 9.2.3.G-Relate works in the arts to geographic regions

Objectives:

Students will:

- 1. Experiment with line, and color though manipulating yarn
- 2. Design their own Huichol inspired yarn painting
- 3. Reflect on what their experience creating a yarn painting
- 4. Explain what they learned about Huichol yarn painting and how it influenced their painting

Resources/Materials/Visual Aids:

- YouTube Video (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hrBEEd7aydw)
- -Exemplars

Supplies/Materials:

Cardboard/Styrofoam trays, yarn, glue, scissors, pencils

Teacher Preparation:

- -Prepare all material and set on table
- -Prepare for demo
- -Have video ready to show students

Teaching:

Introduction:

What are fibers?

Can anyone name things that are made of fibers?

Is yarn made of fibers?

What do people use yarn for?

Can people paint with yarn?

Have you ever heard of yarn painting?

Did you know in Mexico there is a long tradition of yarn painting?

Directions:

- 1) Watch Video on Mexican Yarn Painting
- 2) Discuss lesson with students
- 3) Students create design for yarn painting
- 4) Students color code design
- 5) Demo on varn painting
- 6) Students transfer designs to board
- 7) Students use yarn to create yarn painting

Closure: Show and share- Each student will turn to their neighbor and describe their design and the colors the chose. They will also share 2 things they learned from this lesson with each other.

Critique/Evaluation/Assessment:

- Informal: Students will be observed in the classroom on their behavior with materials, and their time management.
- Formal assessment: Teacher will also fill out a rubric for the student.

Adaptations for ELL and Special Needs Students:

- -Students may choose to draw their yarn painting in marker if the material is too difficult to handle.
- -Teacher will create design in pencil for student and student will use markers or yarn to fill in design with color

Bibliography/References: (books, music, articles, movies, websites used)

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