

October 2021



Ahoskie Elementary School Visual Arts Newsletter

October is such a magical month! Leaves that were once green change gradually into an array of red, yellow and orange as they gently twirl toward the ground reminding us of the cold weather that soon will be approaching.

Welcome to the Arts!

This month our focus will be on the following North Carolina Essential Standards for the Visual Arts.

- 4.V.1 Use the language of visual arts to communicate effectively.
- 4.V.1.1 Use appropriate art vocabulary to compare artists' styles.
- 4.V.1.2 Apply personal choices while creating art.
- 4.V.1.3 Understand how the Elements of Art are used to develop a Composition.
- 4.V.1.4 Infer meaning from art.
- 4.CX.2 Understand the interdisciplinary connections and life applications of the visual arts.
- 4.CX.2.2 Apply skills and concepts learned in other disciplines, such as math, science, language arts, social studies, and other arts, in the visual arts.
- 4.CX.2.3 Understand individual roles, while applying collaborative skills in creating art.

Last month we discussed "What is art?" and "Why do people create art?" This month we are focusing on "The Elements of Art". Our artist of the month is Russian artist Wassily Kandinsky (1866-1944). The students will be listening to Barb Rosenstock's "The Noisy Paintbox" which shares the fascinating story of Wassily Kandinsky, one of the very first painters of abstract art. Throughout his life, Kandinsky experienced colors as sounds, and sounds as colors-whose apparent synesthesia is thought to have contributed to his exciting and energetic creativity. The students created their own version of Kandinsky's "Squares with Concentric Circles" as a collaborative project in honor of Kandinsky and International Dot Day.

What is Artsonia?

Our school is a member of Artsonia (www.artsonia.com). Artsonia is the world's largest collection of student art, published by teachers and students from around the world. Parents and family can view the art online, leave comments and order keepsakes featuring the artwork. I will be sending home a form that will give me permission to showcase your child's artwork.



Featured articles

Behind The Mask

In response to COVID-19 After reviewing the 7 elements of art the students were shown how to create a self portrait to reveal the awesome person behind the mask. Not only did the self portrait feature the student but they also added words to describe the remarkable person hidden behind the mask.



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Artist of the Month

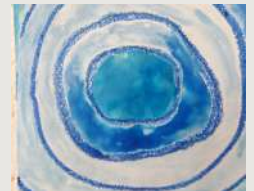
Wassily Kandinsky

(Born December 16, 1866

Died December 13, 1944) is

generally credited as the
pioneer of abstract art.

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Artwork created by Michael Wilson (left) and Demahjae Beckwith (right).

We Need Your Help

The Art Department is in need of
the following supplies:

Clorox wipes

Disinfectant Spray

Kleenex tissue

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