Pablo Picasso's

"Bouquet of Peace"

for Mother's Day

Hello Art Friends!

Can you believe it's already May? It's hard to believe it's almost time for our school year to end. I miss you all so much! This coming Sunday May 10th is Mother's Day, so I thought we could make some artwork for our Moms (or Grandmothers or anyone else who helps take care of you!) to celebrate. I love this piece of artwork by Pablo Picasso, and it seems like the perfect inspiration for this week's project. I can't wait to see your beautiful creations!

-Mrs. Basgíer

"Bouquet of Peace"

Pablo Picasso (1881-1973) was a famous Spanish artist well known for co-founding the Cubist art movement. He created many pieces of artwork throughout his lifetime including paintings, sculptures, prints, and ceramics. As Picasso became older, he developed a deep desire for peace, international understanding, and equality, and he became politically involved with the Peace Movement. "Bouquet of Peace" was created for a peace demonstration in Stockholm, Sweden in 1958 and is known by several other titles as well: "Hands with Flowers," "Hands with Bouquet," and "Flowers and Hands." It was originally a watercolor painting, and he later printed it as a color lithograph, too.



Possible Discussion Questions

What do you see in this picture?
What colors and shapes do you see?
What do you think is happening?
Who do you think the hands belong to?
What do you think the title means?

Materials Needed

White (or light colored) paper Black marker or crayon Green markers or crayons Colored paper Glue (Elmer's white or a glue stick)













Directions

- 1. Using your black marker or crayon, trace your hand so it looks like it's coming in from the side of the paper. Be sure to trace your wrist all the way to the edges. You'll want to trace your hand on the bottom half of your page so that you leave plenty of room for your flowers.
- 2. Add finger nails to your fingers.
- 3. Add green flower stems to your paper. Be sure to stop your lines each time you come to your hand. You want your stems to appear to be behind your hand; that way it will look like your hand is holding your flowers. If you have different shades of green, use them!
- 4. Rip your colored paper into several small pieces. Construction paper works best if you have it. If you do not have construction paper you can use other colored paper like junk mail or pieces from food packaging. You could also draw your flowers if you do not have colored paper or glue.
- 5. Arrange your torn paper into flower shapes at the top of your stems and glue them down. You can use white glue or a glue stick for this step.
- 6. Don't forget to sign your work! Then take a picture and share it on Seesaw ☺

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