

Synopsis

75 great American masters are introduced through open-ended quality art activities allowing kids to explore great art styles from colonial times to the present. Each child-tested art activity presents a biography, full color artwork, and techniques covering painting, drawing, sculpture, photography, architecture, and more. Special art options for very young children are included. Many great artists will be familiar names, like Cassatt, Warhol, and O'Keeffe. Other names will be new to some, like Asawa, Smithson, and Magee. Each featured artist has a style that is interesting to children, with a life history that will entertain and inspire them. Sample of some of the artists and companion activities: Andy Warhol - Package Design, Bev Doolittle - Camouflage Draw, Dale Chihuly - Pool Spheres, Maya Lin - Memorial Plaque, Jasper Johns - Encaustic Flag, Joseph Raffael - Shiny Diptych, Roy Lichtenstein - Comic Sounds, Thomas Jefferson - Clay Keystone, Edward Hopper - Wash Over, Grant Wood - Gothic Paste-Up, Wolf Kahn - Layered Pastel, Jackson Pollock - Great Action Art, Mary Cassatt - Back-Draw Monoprint, Louis Comfort Tiffany - Bright Windows, Hans Hofmann - Energetic Color Blocks, Rube Goldberg - Contraption, Georgia O'Keeffe - Paint with Distance.

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Age Range: 2 - 12 years

Grade Level: Preschool - 7

Customer Reviews

Kohl's latest and greatest book, Great American Artists for Kids is superb. As an elementary

classroom teacher for many years, I have used lessons from her *Discovering Great Artists* and found them very appealing for the students and easy-to-use for teachers. Her latest book is also outstanding. There is a brief background on each artist, a concise list of materials needed, and the lesson process clearly and concisely written. Many examples of student art resulting from the lessons are featured...and it's all in COLOR! Internet Sites, definitions of Art Words, Art Styles with references to the artists, a comprehensive Chart of Contents and index result in a five-star book!!Kathy Whitmer, Washington State

This book is an easy-to-follow, accessible way for children to learn about American art. Parents, teachers, and caregivers will enjoy exploring their children's creativity through these hands-on experiences.

The book itself is great but getting it digitally this time was awful! It shuts down after two pages, I can't see the images with any of the print, I wasn't able to download it to my computer which is where I really need it for lesson planning and I am so frustrated I wish I would have bought a real copy of the book. If there is anyway to help me hopefully will, don't let me down!

Great American Artists for Kids is a wonderful book that can easily be applied across the curriculum to support other disciplines. Not only do our students learn about American heritage and the artists that have created it; but they can explore the techniques and methods of those artists. We find that the projects in the book fit into most areas of study and are relatively inexpensive. The best thing about the book is that it introduces our students to the artists they are most likely to encounter in life.

Wow! is all I can say about this book. The art activities are doable and the list of materials needed are readily found in any school. My students have enjoyed learning about famous American Artists, but what they enjoy most is creating their very own masterpieces!!! Two thumbs up, and many more stars!!!

I teach Art and ordered this book to teach my grandchildren about Great American Artists. This book is wonderful, very easy to understand and the projects are for all ages. I highly recommend it.

I purchased this book for my 10 year old to use with her homeschool curriculum. I really appreciate this book because it provides information about a variety of American artists from different time

periods. This book contains information about the artists, their works, and the techniques they used. I like the fact that there are many different styles of artwork represented and that children can use this book to create a wide variety of projects.

I bought this as a present for a good friend who teaches art to students from 1st to 8th grade. There are enough projects and at varying grade levels to help interest budding artists. Several of the projects have been used already and the students enjoyed them.

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