



"Creole Dancer" by Henri Matisse

Matisse Paper Cut-Out Collage

Materials needed: lead pencils, 12 x12 black card stock paper, a variety of brightly colored smaller sheets of paper, scissors, Elmer's Glue/ glue sticks, oil pastels
*Matisse cut-out templates & books about Matisse

What to do:

Discuss the art of Henri Matisse

1. Cut at least four large blocky shapes from colored paper.
2. Overlap and glue them to the black paper. (leave some black paper showing)
3. Use a pencil and trace Matisse "like" cut-outs on colored paper. Use scissors to cut out shapes.
4. Cut out some medium and large shapes in the form of stars, swirls, zig-zags, blobs and triangles.
5. Glue all cut-outs to black paper.

Extension: Use oil pastels to add texture, depth and additional detail to collage surface.



*Teacher provided materials



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Lesson Plan by instructor Deb Hodies who is teaching the following summer art camps:

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Henri Matisse

Henri Matisse was born on December 31st, 1869 in northern France. He was a draughtsman, printmaker, and sculptor, but is known best for his paintings. Matisse is commonly regarded as one of the artists who best helped to define the revolutionary developments in the visual arts throughout the opening decades of the twentieth century and gained notoriety as one of the Fauves (wild beasts). Throughout his career he developed a rigorous style that emphasized flattened forms and decorative pattern. After 1930, he adopted a bolder simplification of form. When ill health in his final years prevented him from painting, he created an important body of work in the medium of cut paper collage. Matisse passed away on November 3rd, 1954 at the age of 84.