



## Outdoor Art Creator



## Badge Overview

Through earning this badge, Brownies will learn how to create a variety of art projects outdoors.

## Badge Components

### 1. Find art ideas outdoors

Nature and the outdoors have inspired art for centuries. From using berries to make dyes for clothing to using bits of driftwood to create a sculpture, the opportunities are endless. Check out what these artists are doing:

- [Artists Who Celebrate Nature and Promote Positive Social Change](#)
- [Artists Who Let Nature Do The Hard Work For Them](#)
- [Artists to Inspire Nature-Related Art Projects](#)

### 2. Make something!

Get out your crayons and paper and let's make a leaf rubbing! Gather some leaves from around the neighborhood. Look for different sizes, shapes, and textures. Take each leaf and put it under your paper. Rub an unwrapped crayon on your paper over where the leaf is underneath.

- Here's a [video](#) on how to make leaf rubbings.
- Take a look at your different leaves; can you tell them apart? Can you see their textures?

### 3. Dance or make music outdoors

Ask your parents to turn on some music and have a dance party in the back yard. Notice the sounds of nature along with the music you hear.

- Try to dance like some of your favorite wild animals, for example, leaping like a deer or slithering like a snake.
- Add some extra fun by creating your own outdoor band using overturned trash cans, the fence, some flower pots and anything else that can make a sound to create your own music.

### 4. Be a nature photographer

Ask for help from your parents to make a video about something in nature. It could be the sunrise in the morning, the birds in your backyard, or those tiny ants marching through the flowerbed.

- Talk about how what you are recording makes you feel and why you chose this part of nature. Make sure to share your video with your friends!

### 5. Design with nature

Let's make a stained-glass window inspired by nature. You may need your parents help with a couple steps.

- Trace nature shapes onto tissue paper and cut them out. They can be animals, leaves, trees or anything else outdoors. Set these aside while you mix 2 parts dish soap with 1 part water to create a temporary 'glue' to hold your artwork on the window. Use a sponge to cover your window area with the soapy solution. Stick your cut out nature shapes on to make a picture and let it dry.
- Check out your window at different times of the day to see if it looks differently. Make sure to help clean up the window when it is time to remove your art.

## Materials

- Access to internet
- Crayons
- Paper
- Leaves
- Phone or camera
- Tissue paper
- Scissors
- Dish soap
- Water
- Sponge

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