Painter

Complete the five steps to earn your Painter Badge.

1. **Get Inspired:** Visit the [National Gallery of Art](https://www.nga.gov). Take a look at their collections highlights or explore the NGA online exhibits which have many different types of paintings. What painting is your favorite? Do you prefer landscapes or portraits?

2. **Paint the Real World:** Watch the video on how to paint what you see around you.

3. **Paint a mood:** How are you feeling today? Are you sad that you don’t get to go hang out with your friends, angry that you can’t have extra dessert, or happy because it is sunny out and you get to work on a Girl Scout Badge? Create abstract art using a color that represents how you feel. Abstract art is more of a combination of shapes, colors, and lines rather than real life images. Check out the list below to see what colors go with what mood.

   - Black – Unhappy
   - White – Innocent
   - Red – Love or anger
   - Blue – calm or sad
   - Green – jealous
   - Yellow – Warm or happy
   - Purple – wise or mysterious
   - Orange – Excited
   - Pink – kind

4. **Paint without Brushes:** Find some cool objects inside or outside and try painting with them. Go outside and grab some sticks or leaves and
use them as paint brushes. Or stay inside and find some sponges, forks, or spoons to use as paint brushes. Paint anything you want, or even use them to paint your mood.

5. **Paint a Mural:** Grab a large piece of paper, or tape multiple pieces of paper together to make a mural. A mural is a large work of art that is usually painted on a wall. Paint any type of picture that you want, it could be of your family, a scene from nature, or even a cool saying.