

# OIL PASTEL LANDSCAPE

## **Materials:**

1. Pencil
2. Sketchbook
3. Oil Pastels
4. 12"x 18" white drawing paper

## **Steps:**

1. Look at landscape paintings during Impressionism. Observe how the paint was used to create texture and form. Notice that the artists used light to create depth in an area.
2. Find a photograph of a landscape containing a background, mid-ground, and foreground.
3. In sketchbook, draw the landscape. Start with the horizon line (where the sky meets the land).
4. Add background, mid-ground, and foreground, in that order.
5. Color in with oil pastel. Make sure each area has consistent oil pastel strokes, going in one direction (horizontal, vertical, diagonal), starting with background first. Pay attention to change in color and value. For example, a blue sky may start off dark blue, then fade to a light blue. Grass may contain more than one value of green.
6. After background, add mid-ground.
7. Then add the foreground.
8. After practicing and experimenting with color and blending the oil pastels in your sketchbook, start final on 12"x18" white drawing paper, using the same steps: outline in pencil first, then add oil pastel in background, mid-ground, and lastly, foreground.

## **Rubric:**

1. Follow directions. Sketch in pencil first, then add pastels. Background first, then mid-ground, then foreground.
2. Pastels are applied with consistency in direction.
3. Drawing has a wide variety of values and colors.
4. Drawing represents photograph in an impressionist style.