ART

CREATIVE CURRICULUM INTEREST AREAS

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CREATING AN ENVIRONMENT FOR ART

- Location
- Furnishings
- Materials

WHAT IS LEARNED IN THE ART AREA

- Social-Emotional
- Physical
- Language and Literacy
- Cognitive

WHAT CHILDREN DO IN THE ART AREA

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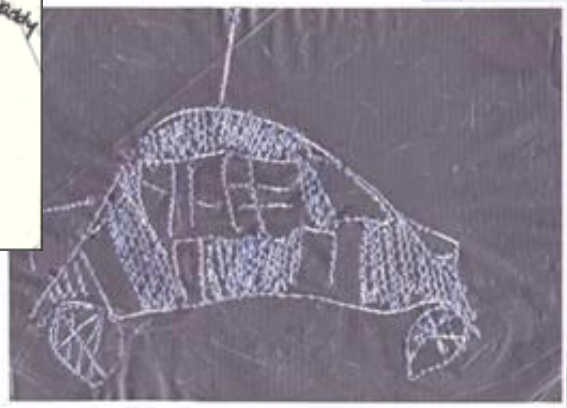
STAGES IN PAINTING AND DRAWING

- Stage I: Scribbling and making marks
- Stage II: Making shapes, outlines, designs and symbols that have personal meaning
- Stage III: Pictorial art that is becoming recognizable to others
- Stage IV: Realistic Art



WHAT TEACHERS CAN DO TO EXPAND LEARNING IN THE ART AREA

Art is a creative process – allow children to experiment with materials without the constraint of preconceived notions of what they should be doing.

- Switch out novel materials for children to experiment with.
- Describe what you see, talk about children's actions and ask about the process.
- Ask open-ended questions that encourage children to think and respond.
- Use words that encourage and support the children's efforts.
- Nurture children's appreciation of art.