

Season 4, Episode 4: Polka Dot Day



Make a pointillism painting and tea party food, meet a lynx. Welcome to CAMP TV – a half-hour day camp experience in your living room! New head counselor Zing Ashford guides “campers” as they learn through play. Content partners include Courtney Chu, Detroit Public Television, WHRO Public Media, Guggenheim Museum, New York Theatre Ballet School, Happily Ever Zoe, Nature, and Story Pirates.

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Tree Paintings with Dots

Materials List:

- paper
- non-toxic washable paint
- cotton swabs
- paintbrush
- pencil

Instructions:

1. Place one hand on a sheet of paper and spread out your fingers. Use a pencil to trace the outline of your wrist and hand. This will be the outline for the tree trunk and branches.



2. Choose a color for the tree trunk and branches. Take a brush and dip it into the paint. Use your brush to fill in the tree with paint.



3. After your tree trunk has dried, you can make the leaves! Take a cotton swab and dip it in paint. Then press the swab on the paper, around the tree, to create dots. If you don't have a cotton swab, dip the tip of your finger in paint and press your finger on the page to create dots.



4. Use the cotton swab to add more dots. Try adding more colors. Observe what happens to the colors when you put one color dot on top of another on the paper.



5. Once you have finished your painting, set it aside to dry. After it has dried, look at your tree up close and then from far away. Compare how it looks from each spot-- What is the same? What is different?





Drawing with Dots

Materials List:

- piece of paper
- pen or marker
- an object or a photo of an object (simple shapes are best- a heart, apple, banana, etc.)

Instructions:

1. Pick something with a simple shape (a heart, apple, banana, etc.) to use as the subject of your drawing. Use an object or a photo of an object to look at as you draw.



2. Create the outline of your shape by making one dot at a time on the paper with your pen. Keep adding more dots to create the shape of your object. Look up at your object from time to time to help guide you as you complete your drawing.



3. For areas that you want to be darker, add more dots closer together. Keep adding more dots until you have finished creating your drawing.

