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Tutorial 11: Snowflakes Artwork

Step-by-step guide to create a snowflakes artwork using watercolours and paper quilling

In partnership with UOB Painting of the Year winning artists





Materials: Newspaper, Glue, Tweezers, Quilling Pen, Penknife, Paper, Paintbrushes, Watercolours, Palette, Water and Salt





Cut newspaper into strips of 30cm length and 0.5cm width.



Use the quilling pen to roll the strips into coils.





Complete the coil by applying glue at the end of the strip.



Create 19 loosely rolled coils, including one to be used as the centre of the snowflake and 12 tightly rolled coils. Roll the strips tighter to create the tightly rolled coils.





Pinch the loosely rolled coil using a pair of tweezers to form a teardrop shaped coil. Create six teardrop shaped coils.



Squeeze both sides of the loosely rolled coil using your hands to form an eye shaped coil. Create six eye shaped coils.





Squeeze all four sides of the tightly rolled coil using your hands to form a square shaped coil. Create six square shaped coils.





Glue the teardrop shaped coils to a loosely rolled coil. Leave a gap between each coil.



Stick the eye shaped coils between the teardrop shaped coils.



Stick the tightly rolled coils to the tip of the eye shaped coils.





Stick the loosely rolled coils to the tip of the teardrop shaped coils.





Stick the square shaped coils to the tip of the loosely rolled coils. The snowflake is completed. Create another snowflake.





Prepare the watercolours.





Tape the sides of the paper.





Paint one-third of the paper in blue.





Paint the middle section in green.



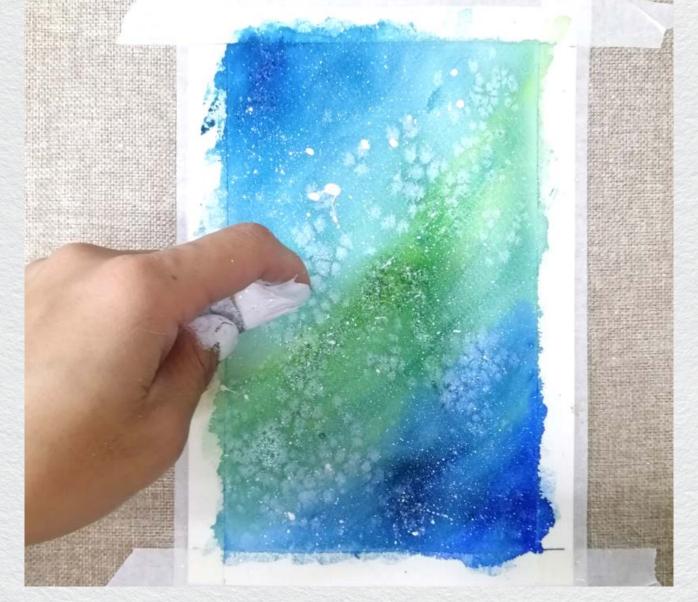
Paint the top section in blue. Create a gradient effect by overlapping blue on green at the edges.



Sprinkle salt and wait for the paint to dry.



You will get a snowing effect after the paint has dried.



Splatter white paint using a brush to enhance the effect.



Stick the snowflakes on the paper. Apply the same technique to create another painting using watercolours and paper quilling.



Three important tips:

- 1 Cut strips from magazines to create a colourful artwork
- 2 Snip off uneven edges with a cuticle nipper
- Bamboo skewer can be used as a quilling tool





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He has participated in several group exhibitions in Kuala Lumpur since 2013. He creates portraits of renowned artists using an innovative quilling technique that involves the meticulous arrangement of densely folded or rolled paper where the facial planes resemble shifting waves and movements. He lost his right-hand palm in an accident during childhood but has shown great determination to overcome the challenges to pursue art.