Second Sunday

Activity: Supplies & Instructions 10/11/20

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Supplies: Use the materials you have on hand. Here are some examples with different combinations of supplies.

The Basics: Pencil, paper, scissors and crayons.

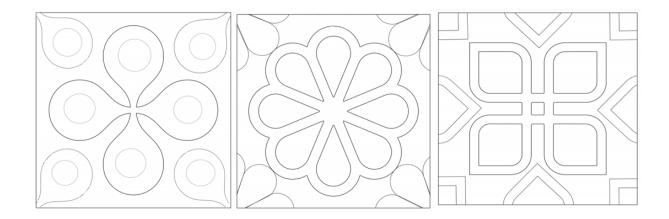
Extras: Colored pencils, markers, paint and paint brush, cardboard, tape, glue, ruler, pen, graph-paper, and printer.

Crayons, scissors and a printer, you can download, print and color the Talavera tile template (below). When you apply color, pay attention to where the tiles meet. Depending on the color you choose and where the edges meet you may see a new pattern appear!

Pencil, tape, cardboard and paint you can make a grid with the tape and use it as a guide to draw your tile squares. Then, draw a design in each square. Once you draw some design shapes you can use paint to color the cardboard tiles.

Pencil + ruler + marker or pen + paper you can use the ruler as a straight edge to make your square shapes with pencil. And then you can draw your designs inside the squares you made. You can use many colors for your tiles or just one color like blue or black.

Colored pencils + graph paper you can use the squares on the graph paper to draw your square shapes and create designs on your tiles.





Let's Make some Talavera tiles!

Step 1

Make or find a square shape to draw on. Square is the shape of the tile.

Step 2

Draw a design within the square (see examples) make at least 4 square tiles of the same design. Pay special attention to the edges. Try to make a design that continues onto the next tile.

Step 3

Arrange your tiles edge to edge in a grid pattern. Experiment with turning the tiles around. Does this create a different pattern?

Step 4

Look for new shapes within the connected tiles. A group of tiles together can make a pattern that is not seen in one single tile.

Keep on going! Make a new tile design - ask you friends and family members to design a tile. Put all the tiles together and decorate a wall in your home or maybe a refrigerator!

One could say that the tiles are like families. Each handmade tile is individual and unique. When the tiles are placed next to one another their designs join to create a big beautiful pattern filled with variety and color.



Artist Tips and Tricks:

Principles of Design are the tricks that artists use in creating artwork. They are how to create and organize an art work. When elements are utilized with the principles in mind outstanding artwork is created.

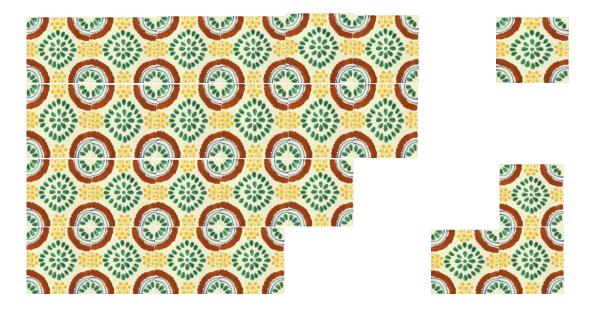
Pattern is the repeating of an object or shape all over the work of art.

Rhythm is created when one or more elements of design are used repeatedly to create a feeling of organized movement.

Repetition works with pattern to make the work of art seem active. The repetition of a design creates unity within the work of art.

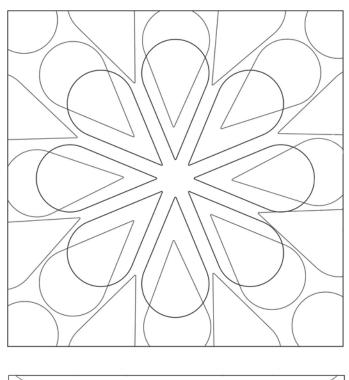
Unity is the feeling of harmony between all parts of the work of art, which creates a sense of completeness.

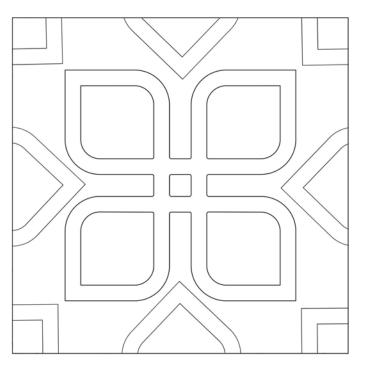
What new shapes and patterns do you see when you put the tiles together? I see new circles and new diagonal Patterns!

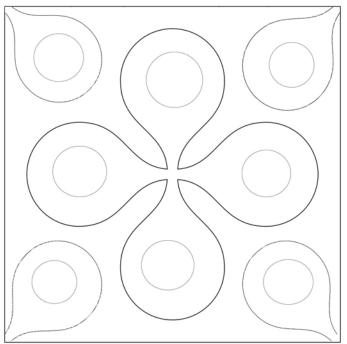


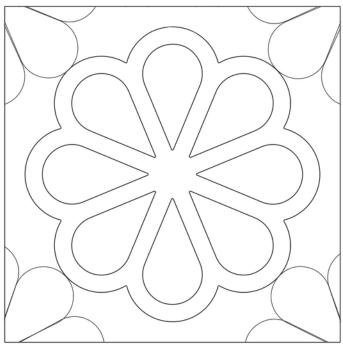
Note teachers at home: Exploring the elements of art and principles of design supports students' understanding of artist's choices and equips them with the vocabulary to express their critical thinking about works of art.







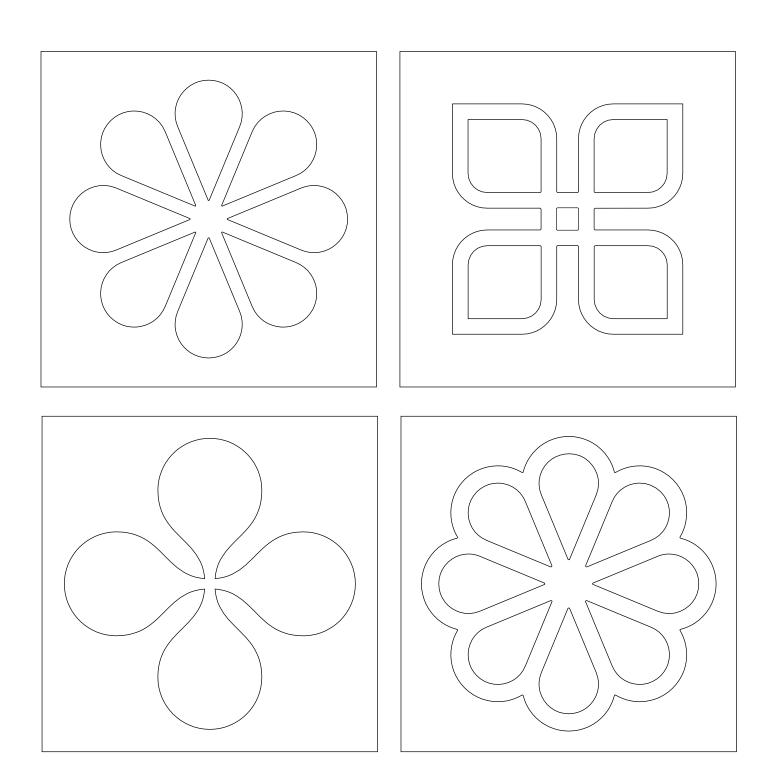




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Color the shapes and then cut out the squares to make colorful Talavera tiles.

Draw some Talavera tiles of your own design here.	