

# TEEN ART LAB: Watercolors

## What is it?

Art Lab is a new drop in program for teens ages 13-18 that will focus on the process of creating and experimenting rather than the end product. Our first lab will feature watercolor paints.

Think of Art Lab as a maker space where you'll have freedom to play around with the materials on your own or where you can choose to follow prompts and try out experiments. For example, see what happens if you add salt to watercolors while they're really wet and then what happens when you change the salt type/paint/saturation level.

Sometimes there's a certain idea of what art is and isn't, and this drop in program challenges that idea as well as the notion that you have to be "good" at something to enjoy it.

## What will I take home?

You can just enjoy the process or you can take home "test strips" to use as bookmarks, backgrounds for photographs, or as starting points for future projects. You may find that some of your experiments are frame worthy just as they are! You can also walk in with your own project idea—such as a mini-banner, a card, or an abstract painting for a certain spot in your room. You are free to be creative with the materials provided!

## When and Where is it?

**December 2nd from 3:00-4:30 at the Mansfield Public Library in the Meeting Room.**

It's a drop in program which means you don't have to stay for the whole session and you don't have to arrive at 3:00 to join in! So, you can stop by at 4:00 and stay for a half hour or come at 3:15 and leave at 4:00—whatever works for your schedule!

