



## Kindercraften: John Wolseley and Watercolour Painting

This activity is designed for preschool-aged children. It aims to introduce young children to fascinating art techniques through the process of absorption and the wonder of nature.

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Art and science have always been closely linked throughout art history. **John Wolseley** is an Australian artist who creates large scale watercolour paintings combining painting and drawing and the study of natural phenomenon.



**Materials:**

- Any of these materials - acrylic or watercolor paints, or liquid food dyes
- 4 sheets of A4 white paper (i.e. cartridge paper or photocopy paper)
- Small paint brush
- Glass of water
- Table salt
- Gather 5 or 6 small sticks or twigs from outside
- Small cups

**Method:**

1. Place a small amount of colour (either from inks, acrylics, watercolours or food dyes or a combination of these) into a small plastic cup (s), add water to make solution runny and stir to mix each colour.
2. Wet your paper first with clear water and a paint brush
3. Drop colour from brush onto surface and watch paint "bloom" and colour spread out into abstract images like magic
4. Let paper dry – While in drying process add pinches of table salt to wet pools of colour and witness how this creates changes in the surface over time.
5. Use dried paintings as beautiful colourful backgrounds that you can now draw something from you garden on top of or keep them as they are!

