

## **Artist Activity Badge Outline -- Mental Skills Group**

The Artist Activity Badge is recommended to be presented in a one month format, as outlined in the Webelos Program Helps booklet. This example outline presents the Badge in four weekly meetings. Every requirement is covered in the outline in four meetings. Each Scout who attends all meetings will satisfy all of the requirements.

**BRING LOTS OF NEWSPAPER TO PUT UNDER THE ARTIST'S PROJECTS.**

Two projects can be done at home, and you should encourage the Scouts to do some work at home. These projects are the Mobile and the Construction.

Use the Webelos book in the meeting. Have the Scouts read sections from the book. Use all the resources you have available. Make sure you sign off their books each meeting.

### **Week 1**

#### **Requirements to be fulfilled:**

#### **DO FIVE OF THESE:**

1. Draw or paint an original picture. Use watercolors, crayons, or acrylic paints. Frame it for your room or home.
2. List the primary and secondary colors. Tell how to combine colors.

#### **Discussion :**

1. Read the introduction and requirements on pages 47 and 48. Discuss the requirements and how they will be worked on in and outside the Den. Make sure the Scouts know about the activities that will be done at home.
2. Read pages 48 - 52 on painting. Bring materials into the Den meeting to accomplish the first requirement. If paints would be too messy in your environment, use markers or colored pencils, perhaps colored chalk. Use the correct kind of paper for the project. Create an original picture in the Den meeting.
3. Read pages 52 and 53 on the Color Wheel. Get a color wheel to show the scouts. Show them primary and secondary colors. They have probably had this in school and probably memorized it already. Show them how to combine colors.

#### **Homework:**

1. What kind of art projects have you done in School. Bring in some examples to show the Den.

### **Week 2**

#### **Requirements to be fulfilled:**

3. Make six designs using straight lines, curved lines, or both.
4. Make a profile of a member of your family.

#### **Discussion and Demonstration:**

1. Read pages 54 - 56 on Design. Get out the paper and colored pencils or markers again and have the scouts make six designs using straight and colored lines.
2. Read page 57 on Drawing profiles. Bring some butcher paper or other wide paper into the Den meeting. Tape the paper on the wall and point a light at it. Have each Scout take a turn being the model and making one of the profiles, until everyone is done.

#### **Homework:**

1. Decide on what you will do for a mobile. Either make it at home or bring the materials into the next Den meeting. [Leader send home a reminder to the parents that the Scouts should be acquiring the materials to make their Mobile and also their construction the following week.]

## **Week 3**

### **Requirements to be fulfilled:**

5. Use plastic or clay and sculpture a simple object.
6. Make a mobile.

### **Discussion and Demonstration:**

1. Read pages 57 - 60 on Sculpting. Get some acrylic modeling clay. Put down lots of newspaper. Have the Scouts sculpt a head. Show them how to make the egg shape and stand, then have them make any head figure they want. Take the models home and fire them in your oven to harden them.
2. Read pages 61 - 62 on Mobiles. Bring in thin dowels and/or coat hangers. Bring in string and some small objects. The Scouts should bring in their Mobiles or materials to make their mobiles

### **Homework:**

1. Decide on what you want to do for a construction. Choose your materials. Work on the construction at home and bring it into the next Den meeting. Or, at least bring the materials into the meeting.

## **Week 4**

### **Requirements to be fulfilled:**

7. Make a construction. Use your choice of materials. Examples are dowels, screen wire, cellophane, and string.

### **Discussion and Demonstration:**

1. Finish up any remaining stuff from the previous week.
2. Read pages 62 - 63 on Constructions. The Scouts should arrive at this meeting with either a construction or the materials they want to use to make one. Bring in craft sticks and glue for those that didn't bring in materials. **PUT DOWN LOTS OF NEWSPAPERS.** Make the constructions.

**Make sure to sign off every Scout's book.**

**Bring all the projects to the next Pack Meeting to show the parents and other Scouts.**

# Artist Activity Badge Den Leaders Record

List Boy's Names

Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Month/Year

Requirements  
**Do Five of These:**

1. Draw or paint an original picture. Use watercolors, crayons, or acrylic paints. Frame it for your room or home.																				
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