## Adapted Art Teaching Strategies



## Adapted painting techniques

When we think of "art," often our first thoughts are of paintings. For some students, applying paint is as straightforward as paint, a brush, a palette, and a surface. For others, each of these can pose challenges that inventive equipment can help overcome. This guide offers a sampling of products and techniques designed to make the satisfaction of painting available to all.

# Helping all your students work comfortably with paint 

## Limit color choices

Some students can become overwhelmed by too many choices and "get stuck," potentially even shutting down and not working at all. The Faber Castell ${ }^{\circledR}$ watercolor lets you easily provide only a few colors to minimize that stress. Assign colors, or invite the student to participate in the selection.

## Lessen the mess

Students who tend to spill liquid paint even from tippy or other covered cups, yet who have art assignments that call for tempera, can benefit from tempera cakes instead of liquid tempera for either opaque or transparent painting. The liquid aspect can be controlled by how much water is added to the cake.

Tempera cakes hold up well to students with pressure issues as they push hard on the cake, and they can be made easily accessible for students working on slanted surfaces. Drill 3 " holes, large enough to hold the cup without falling through, in a handmade wooden slant board at a point where the student can access the paint from their dominant side. Alternatively, the cups can be fastened to the slightly slanted board with masking tape. After class, the cakes travel well with the art teacher as they fit nicely in muffin tins-simply dump out any extra water and pop on the top.

## Control the paint

Students who struggle physically to control paint, or whose perfectionism leads to frustration, can enjoy art products whose "lines" can then be turned into more painterly effects. Students "draw" their images, then use Aqua-Flo ${ }^{\circledR}$ brushes to soften and make it look more like paint.


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| 405577 | Prang ${ }^{\circledR}$ Washable Semi-Moist Watercolor Paint Set, Metallic Colors |
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| 402428 | Royal \& Langnickel ${ }^{\circledR}$ Aqua-Flo™ Watercolor Brushes, Set of 3 |
| 1466235 | Jack Richeson${ }^{\text {TM }}$ Playcolor Standard Tempera Sticks, Fluorescent Colors, Set of 6 |
| 1546619 | Kwik Stix ${ }^{\text {™ }}$ Solid Tempera Paints, Assorted Colors, Set of 6 |
| 384125 | Jack Richeson ${ }^{\text {™ }}$ Large Tempera Cakes with Tray, Set of 6 |
| 2092454 | Faber-Castell ${ }^{(1)}$ Watercolor Connector Paint Box, Set of 24 |
| 068089 | Do-A-Dot Art ${ }^{\text {TM }}$ Washable Brilliant, Set of 6 |
| 1440167 | Royal \& Langnickel ${ }^{\text {® }}$ Big Kid's Choice ${ }^{\text {TM }}$ Dippers Nylon Brush Set, Set of 3 |
| 001311 | Prang ${ }^{\circledR}$ Payons Watercolor Crayon Set with Brush, Set of 12 |
| 419455 | Do-A-Dot Art ${ }^{\text {TM }}$ Markers Reg, Set of 6 |
| 008683 | Crayola ${ }^{\circledR}$ Washable Assorted Watercolors - 4 Color |
| 1280533 | Crayola ${ }^{\text {® }}$ No Drip Paint Brush Pen, Set of 5 |
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