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Check out my Montessori

Academy's Visual Arts

website to see fabulous

student masterpieces.

both past and present

LOWER EL This project called "Wet Dog" was inspired by contemporary fingerpainting artist Iris Scott, who quite by accident, discovered how to show "Movement" through this unique technique.

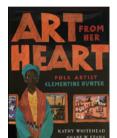




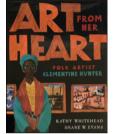
### PRIMARY ~

Artists were excited to draw a new LINE which is called a SPIRAL. Kinders created "Snailscapes" as they experimented with messy oil and chalk pastels, along with watercolor paints. Artists also learned that snails can be found in your garden...you just need to look for their slimy trail.



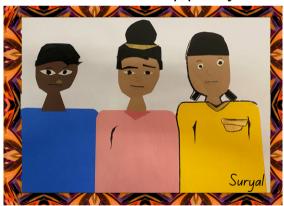


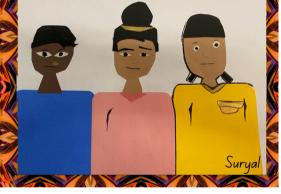
Read more about Clementine Hunter in the book, Art From Her Heart by Kathy Whitehead.



#### **UPPER EL~**

The 6th graders' final project is inspired by Harlem Renaissance Folk artist William H. Johnson's Three Friends. Students portray themselves with two friends created with paper only.







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Zinnias in a Pot, 1965

If you need a pencil & paper, send Ms. Houghton a note before June 14



# <u>Summer S</u>ketch

MIDDLE EL ~ Artists learned about Clementine Hunter, a self-taught artist who began painting at age 50. Fourth graders painted watercolor still lifes inspired by her masterpiece, Zinnias in a Pot. We can recognize much about life on a Louisiana plantation in the early 1900's by viewing her Folk Art paintings. Clementine Hunter lived to be 101 years old.

(ONLY A PENCIL & PAPER ARE NEEDED!)

## **July**

- self-portrait
- · pet dog or cat
- their favorite teacher
- tall buildings in the city
- hands or feet
- collection of small objects

### <u>August</u>

- fruit or vegetable cut in half
- the biggest tree you see
- copy a famous masterpiece
- a playground
- a collection of coins
- plate of your favorite foods







