

ACTIVITY GUIDE

Patrick K. Pryor – Painter

Writing/Essay/Journal

When Patrick Pryor began working on his old house, he identified parallels within his painting techniques. Layers of plaster and paint and wallpaper seem analogous with his layers of paint and tape.

What other similarities do the two processes have?



Activity

Create your own work of art that uses layers using this DIY scratchboard technique:

Materials:

White Cardstock
Black Tempura Paint
Liquid Laundry Detergent

Small Roller Brush
Colored Pencils
Toothpicks

Shallow Bowls
Painter's Tape

- 1) Tape the perimeter of your cardstock to your work surface.
- 2) Use 3-5 colored pencils to completely fill the cardstock with an abstract design.
- 3) Mix the black paint and detergent in a shallow dish using a 1:1 ratio.
- 4) Cover the entire cardstock with the paint mixture using the roller brush. Let dry. Repeat until the colored pencil cannot be seen through.
- 5) Untape your cardstock and use a toothpick or other tool to scratch away the black paint and reveal the colorful layer underneath!