



# Eagle Art News

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## First Grade

The first graders have started learning about habitats and animals in their classrooms. In order to integrate art and science, we have started animal paintings to go along with what they are learning. Each student drew an animal of his/her choice. We added texture by gluing newspaper to our animals' fur, feathers, scales, shell, etc. Now, we are painting our animals and adding details to make them look realistic

## Second Grade

The second graders have been learning how to create bark paintings. Bark paintings are a folk art in which artists use bright colors to paint every day scenes of village life, nature, animals, and colorful birds on paper made from bark. We talked about how to add decoration and style to our drawings, and last week we began painting with fluorescent temperas!

## Fourth Grade

The fourth graders have finished their abstract string prints. In our next project we will be studying Jasper Johns and discussing symbolism in art. Each student will be designing a flag that represents something important to him/her. Flags will be painted and we will type our first artist statement at the end of the project. This will give the students an opportunity to explain their artwork, and its special meaning.

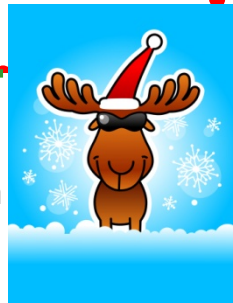
## Third Grade

The third graders have been practicing their origami skills this week. Although it looks complicated, the students have done a great job at creating geometric figures from something as simple as a piece of paper. These skills can be easily learned with a little patience and a good memory for sequence. Keep up the good work third graders!

## At Home Art...

### **Holiday Pop-Up Cards**

1. Take 2 pieces of construction paper, 9"X12", in different colors, and fold them in half.
2. Cut the folded side of the one that will be the inside of the card. Cut two cuts about 1/2" wide and 2" long.
3. Pull the cut piece through to the inside of the card and fold it down until it looks like a little step.
4. Glue the inside of the uncut card to the outside of the cut card. Be careful not to put any glue in the pop-up itself.
5. Design a cut paper element and glue it to the front part of the "step". Don't put any glue on the top of the step.
6. Decorate the front of the card and the inside of the card with lots of detail and color.



## Art in the Community

Back by popular demand, *Snow Much Fun*, Chicago Children's Museum's much-loved holiday tradition, offers all the frosty fun of winter—without the cold!

Your family can lose your shoes and practice the perfect pirouette or fancy figure-eight on our indoor "ice" rink. Style-minded children of all ages can deck out a family of snowmen *fashionistas*, and then build a one-of-a-kind snow fort or castle out of specially-made "ice" blocks.

CCM's ice skating rink will be open daily from 11 am - 4 pm. Special hours apply on Dec. 31, when it will be open noon - 5pm.

## Artist of the Month

Jasper Johns

