

Lesson from the Artist: Narrative Art Warm-Up from Sheila Miles

Duration: 45 - 60min.

Materials:

- Pencils
- Paper
- Colored pencils or markers

Procedure

- Gather three jars (or containers)
 - In the first jar add slips of paper that have nouns on them such as dog, cat, telephone, tree, etc.
 - The 2nd jar will have verbs. (swimming, skiing, sleeping, etc.)
 - The last jar has “weather” words just to shake things up. (rain, sunny, wind, hail, etc.)



- Have your students blindly pull a word from each jar.
- With the 3 words that they chose they will create a narrative work of art.
 - Narrative art is art that tells a story.
- Use the colored pencils or markers to add color to your artwork and to help to tell the story.
- Don't forget to have them title their work when they are finished!



When the Queen Is Out, I Like to Soak My Feet, 2005,
Sheila Miles, Oil on Canvas, 24 x 18",
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