

Action Jackson -

Jackson Pollock

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*** huh? ***

Jackson Pollock is the most celebrated artist of abstract expressionism.

*** What is abstract expressionism? **

What makes his style so unique is that he placed a large canvas on the floor.

*** How is your style unique? ***

He painted with forceful, rapid, impulsive brush strokes, by pouring, or by dripping the paint directly onto the canvas.

*** What do the words forceful, rapid, and impulsive MEAN? ***

Assignment:

Create a large *abstract* painting in the style of *Jackson Pollock* using *Action Painting* Techniques.

Supplies:

- 1 sheet of large paper
- 3 paint colors – to start (more later)
- paper towels
- large cardboard section to put under painting
- sponge to clean any stray paint
- water bucket – don't forget your water!
- aprons/old shirts

Abstract

1. Not relating to real objects
2. Decorated with irregular areas of color and shapes and are not recognizable

Action Painting

1. Action Painting does not produce a picture but is an event.
2. Action Painting emphasizes the act of painting itself – how it feels to paint.
3. It is an expression of the artist's personality in the most basic way.

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