

# BACKYARD BIRDING



## Owl Art

**Grades:** 1-3

**Objective:** Inspired by Jane Cabrera's book *Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star*, students will create a layered painted collage of an owl.

**Source:** Painted Paper Art



# MIXED MEDIA OWLS



## The Art of Stories Painted Paper Art

### Materials

- *Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star* by Jane Cabrera
- owl templates for tracing
- 12 x 12 construction paper
- scissors
- tempera paint
- brushes
- black Sharpies
- leaf stamps or sponges

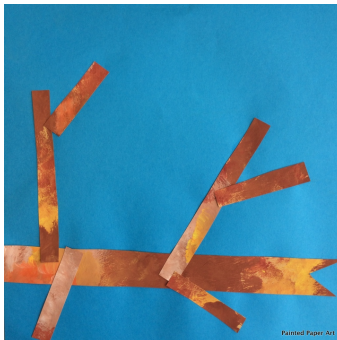
### Steps

- Read the book *Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star* by Jane Cabrera and explain that even though they may have heard this story when they were younger, they should pay attention to the way animals are described in the book.



- Create owls from scrap painted paper. They can also start from scratch and paint their own owls with a variety of patterns. Note: Students can use templates of owls to get them started.

- After students create the owl body, they can add big symmetrical circle eyes from various color choices, and smaller symmetrical circles for the inner part of the eye.
- Students can use added black Sharpie to create the pupils. Again they can use circle templates to help guide them in creating circles.
- After the circles were created and cut out student should glue down all the shapes and let dry.
- Next, have students use a 12" x 12" piece of construction paper as a background.



- Students cut branches from strips of painted paper. Discuss cutting the strip in half the long way, creating 2 long thinner strips. They can then glue one down to form the main branch and then cut the other strip into smaller pieces to form small branching twigs.
- The next step is gluing down the owl after all the branches and twigs are glued down.



- Next, have students add feather texture to the owl's body. Use small brushes and tempera paint and create short, vertical lines. They should use neutral color paints around the eyes and on the body for this step.
- Students finish by stamping various leaves on their papers using leaf-shaped sponges.

