

Create a **CITY SCAPE**

Artists are often inspired by the world around them. When their drawing or painting depicts a town or city, the artwork is called a cityscape. Artists may include buildings, cars and even people. They often overlap the shapes in their designs to create the illusion of space.

SUPPLY BOX

watercolor paint ~ paper ~ cup of water watercolor brush ~ sharpie marker

ART WORDS

Cityscape: A work of art that depicts a town or city.

Warm colors: Red, orange and yellow.

Cool colors: Blue, green and purple.

BRAINSTORM BUILDINGS

Use a sharpie marker to practice drawing different styles and shapes of buildings. Be inventive; try drawing buildings with rectangular lines and also curvy lines. Try drawing some buildings very tall and others short. Some cityscapes include offices, banks, hospitals, churches, libraries, museums, theatres, water towers, ferris wheels, and clock towers.

CREATE A SKYLINE

On a clean sheet of paper, draw your favorite buildings. As you are drawing, be sure to overlap the shapes. Be sure to draw some buildings larger and some smaller. Next, add small details like doors, windows and chimneys. Be inventive; create some imaginary buildings using unusual shapes and colors.

ADD COLOR

Using your watercolor paint and brush, add color to your design. To create visual interest, try painting the main shape of your building a warm color and for contrast, paint the windows or doors a cool color. Keep repeating this process, each time changing colors. Be sure to rinse your brush each time you change colors!

DISPLAY YOUR WORK

Let your painting dry, and remember to sign your work. Make sure to display your painting so everyone in your family can admire your masterpiece!

