



# LESSON PLAN

## “Palm Springs Art Museum Everyday Environments”



**OBJECTIVE:** Go outside and observe the colors, patterns and textures you find in your local environment.

**MATERIALS:**

- 2 sheets of identical sized paper
- extra paper for sketching
- pencil & eraser
- Crayons, markers, colored pencils, and/or paint

**MOTIVATION:**

- This lesson is inspired by the work of Karen Kitchel. Her attention to the environment and everyday landscapes encourages careful looking at the nature around us.

**Step 1: Introduction**

Go take a walk! Observe and explore your surroundings, looking for interesting textures, colors and other patterns in the natural environment.

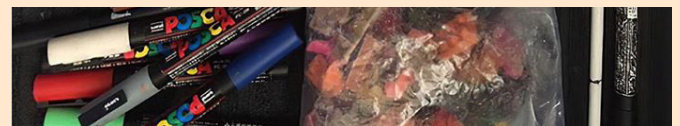
**Step 2: Sketch**

Document your walk by sketching anything that catches your eye.



**Step 3: Choose your favorites**

After your walk, review your sketches and select one or two of your favorite images to recreate.



**Step 4: Paint or Color**

For each image you select, draw your impression of the patterns and textures you see and add color using your crayons, markers, colored pencils, and/or paint; use a separate piece of paper for each image.