Lesson Plan
"Mandala"

OBJECTIVE:
Students will learn to use geometric and symbolic elements to create a mandala.

MATERIALS:
- Paper
- Pencil
- Black Marker or Pen
- Ruler
- Scissors

STEP 1:
Create an 8”x8” square piece of paper using a ruler, or the fold/cut method (see attachment).

STEP 2:
Create radial symmetry guides by drawing lines connecting opposing corners, and midpoints along opposing edges of the paper.

STEP 3:
Along each line, measure and mark off every inch. Using those marks as a guide, draw three circles. Add one smaller ring in the very center.

STEP 4:
Begin drawing your mandala design, starting on the centermost ring. Each circular layer should have its own distinct pattern.

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STEP 5:
Continue adding layers until you are content, and then outline in marker or pen.

STEP 6:
Fill in each layer with its own distinct pattern.

STEP 7:
Add finishing touches.

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Combining patterns to fill your mandala
Create a square sheet of paper with radial symmetry lines (without a ruler)

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