



## A Room's View

### OVERVIEW

Students will create their own fishbowl with a room as their background. This project was inspired by Gay Burke. Students will use watercolor, crayons, and a pencil.

### STANDARDS

#### ESSENTIAL QUESTION

What would be in your dream room?

#### STUDENT LEARNING OBJECTIVES

Students Will:

- Use art vocabulary while creating art
- Create artist statements
- Explore art while using a range of supplies

### STANDARDS

First Grade: Arts Education

- 3) Develop skills by following a sequence of steps to create works of art on subjects that are real or imaginary.
- 5) Create an artwork based on observation of familiar objects and scenes that reflect their own social or cultural identity.
- 6) Use art vocabulary while creating art.

First Grade : English Language Arts)

- R3. Expand background knowledge and build vocabulary through discussion, reading, and writing.
9. Read grade-appropriate texts with accuracy and fluency.

## ART DISCUSSION

### DISCUSSION PROMPTS

- Is the piece a photograph, painting, or a drawing?
- Do we take photos like this today? If it is different, how so?
- What could have drawn Burke to this location?

### ABOUT THE ARTIST

Gay Burke was a well known photographer from Texas. She was the first female full professor in the University of Alabama department of Art and Art History.

“When she began her career, photography was not yet accepted as “art”. Some call her the “Mother of Alabama Art Photography” and say she is responsible for raising the profile of photography as an art form throughout the South. Many say her teaching skills were exceptional and that her talent for teaching even showed when she was an undergraduate student herself working with underserved children in San Antonio.

At the University of Alabama, she nurtured many students through their studies and then also helped them establish their careers as artists and teachers.”

## CURRICULUM CONTENT

### LEARN ABOUT UNTITLED N.D

Gay Burke took a photo of a bedroom which we assume may be a college dorm. We ask our students why this photo may be in black and white and if black and white photos are still taken today. Why do you think Burke took this photo? We also ask our students about their dream bedroom and what they would love to have in them.



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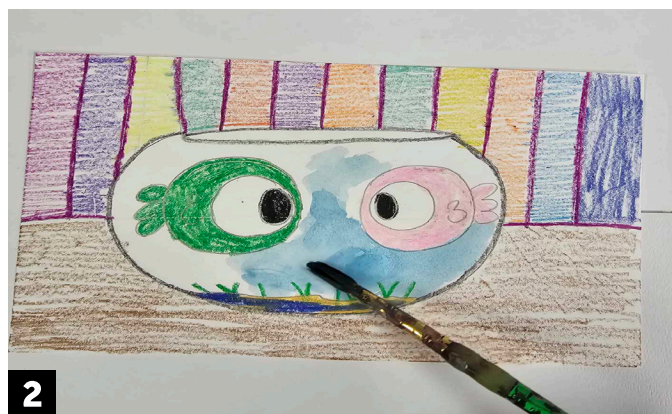
## ART INSTRUCTION

### MATERIALS

Paper, pencil, eraser, watercolor, oil pastels or crayons, cup of water, and paint brush

### INSTRUCTIONS

- 1** Draw the fishbowl and table.
  - Allow your students to color the background and fish using crayons
- 2** Using a blue watercolor, paint the inside of the fishbowl.
  - Because oil does not mix with water, you do not have to worry about the crayon drawings being ruined.
- 3** Once you are finished, allow your art project to dry!



## TERMS

**PHOTOGRAPH** - an image created by light falling on a photosensitive surface, usually photographic film or an electronic image sensor, such as a CCD or a CMOS chip.

## EXPAND

LINK TO VIDEO GUIDES



## RESOURCES

[1 'Gay Burke Obituary' <https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/tuscaloosa/name/gay-burke-obituary?id=15461294>

[2 Wiregrass Museum of Art