

# **Drawing Birds with Mixed Media: Creating Effects with Oil Pastels, Crayons and Ink Washes**

In a 1 and 1/4 hour session, teenagers experimented with visual effects created by using ink washes applied over oil pastels and crayons.

Drawings, inspired by birds from nature magazines, are created with oil pastels or wax crayons and then water based washes are applied, which repel against the wax to create beautiful visual effects.

For more inspiration, see how younger children produced similar effects after looking at Gwen John's drawings of cats

**Drawings of Toys Inspired by Gwen John's Cats!**



Close up of a 'Woodcock' by Amy

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