

Outdoor Art Master: Part 2

Ambassador Badge





What is the Outdoor Art Master Badge?

Girls bring art and the outdoors together and get inspired by the beauty in nature.

Step 1: Explore outdoor art

Step 2: Make something!

Step 3: Find music in nature

Step 4: Be a nature photographer

Step 5: Design with nature



Step 3: Find Music in Nature

Visual art is just one type of art— music is art, too! Find your inner musician with this step.



Choices (do one):

- Turn nature into music. Record different kinds of outdoor sounds from your area (such as birdsongs, crunching leaves, insects, or running water). Then mix and layer your sounds to create a song or composition.
- Build a musical instrument. Use items from nature to make a multitoned musical instrument. You might use a gourd to make a stringed instrument or bamboo to make a flute.
- Memorize Bird Songs online. Identify a few birds outdoors or match them to a spectrogram with The Cornell Lab's "Bird Song Hero" game:
<https://academy.allaboutbirds.org/features/bird-song-hero/bird-song-hero-tutorial>.



Step 4: Be a Nature Photographer

Photography and video are a great way to create outdoor art without disturbing the environment. Head outdoors with a camera (a cell phone camera will work) and see nature in a new way.

Choices (do one):

- Make a digital diary. You may have kept a written journal, but have you ever tried a visual one? Create a visual representation of the outdoor spaces in your life —maybe a few days or a few weeks—using photos or videos, or a mix of the two.
- Find a new view. Look at satellite photos from your area and around the world. How does it change the way you see the space? Next, take your own pictures outdoors from unusual perspectives. You might lie underneath a tree to photograph its underside or view a flower garden from above. Share your photos with family or friends.





Steps 1 & 5: Explore Outdoor Art Design with Nature

Make Art Indoors and Outdoors

- Take your finished black and white piece of art outside with you.
- Re-create the piece of art using the colors you see around you in nature!
- Compare your works of art side by side—aren't the colors of nature amazing!?





Ambassador Outdoor Journey

The Ambassador Outdoor Journey consists of three badges: Outdoor Art Master, Water, and Survival Camper. It also includes a Take Action project.

Step One:
Ambassadors
earn the
Outdoor Art
Master
Badge*



Step Two:
Ambassadors
earn the
Water
badge*



Step Three:
Ambassadors
earn the *new*
Survival
Camper
badge



Step Four:
When all three badges are complete, girls plan and carry out a Take Action project using the skills they learned, and earn their Take Action Award which shows they earned their *Outdoor Journey!*





Share Your Success!

Share your pieces of art with your family, and share digitally with your troop, friends, and social media!

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