Pattern (Mirror Image and Inversion)

OBJECTIVE

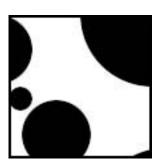
A pattern consists of repeated shapes or units based upon a grid or by using radial symmetry. By creating a unique pattern you will learn to transform a simple design using a system of repetition and rhythm with the added dimension of color.

MATERIALS

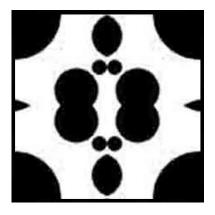
- 9" x 12" watercolor pad
- watercolor brush(es)
- full set of gouache paint
- plastic palette or paper plate (larger palettes recommended for this exercise)
- water cup
- painter's tape (optional)
- pencil
- eraser

INSTRUCTIONS

1) MIRROR IMAGE – Using the same design or a different unit design create a new pattern by using mirror images. Trace using the light table or use a photocopier.

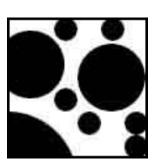


(1.5 inch x 1.5 inch square)

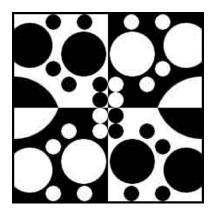


(6 inch x 6 inch square)

2) INVERSION – Try inverting the black and white areas to create a different pattern.



(1.5 inch x 1.5 inch square)



(6 inch x 6 inch square)

3) Paste the results of this exercise (2 designs) on two separate pieces of drawing paper.