Paint a Watercolor Resist

Watercolor is used for drawing as well as painting on paper. Some artists use a “resist” technique with watercolors to add color, texture, and highlights. Watercolor resists are fun for kids to explore!

Materials:
Crayons, white paper (8.5X11), cup for water, paintbrush, watercolor paints (if you don’t have watercolors, you can use room-temperature tea or coffee)

Instructions:
Step 1: Use crayons to draw a picture or doodle designs on paper. Fill the page. (Tip: Drawing with a white crayon will make your drawing pop after our next steps!)

Step 2: Using a damp paintbrush, brush the watercolor paint across your drawing. You can paint right over the crayon lines because the wax in the crayons will resist the water in the paint. You can layer paint strokes. Try to avoid puddling.

Step 3: Add additional colors if you like.

Step 4: Let the paper dry completely. Share it with us using #BarnesatHome.