

### O-riginal Art Activities:

# Summertime Watercolor Painting Inspired by *A Summer's Prayer*



Langdon Clay, Horse Tomatoes, 304 Cassidy Bayou, Summer, MS, 2002, Chromogenic color print. Gift of the artist, 2004

A Summer's Prayer examines photographs from Ogden Museum of Southern Art's permanent collection that address themes reflected within the summer season – leisure, travel, memory, and place. A Summers Prayer is a meditation on summertime in the American South. Hopefully, like the season, this exhibition can provide the viewer with a temporary diversion, a brief respite, and an escape from the troubles of the past few years.

## Create a painting inspired by the work of *A Summer's Prayer*!

### **Supplies**

Paper, pencils, paintbrushes, watercolor, and an ink pen.

#### **Instructions**

**Step 1:** With Summertime coming to a close, let's make a bright watercolor painting of your favorite Summer memory. Will you paint a day at the beach, a day spent with your grandparents, or something else?

**Step 2:** Once you've thought of a memory you'd like to paint, start sketching your memory onto the paper with a pencil.

**Step 3:** Get your watercolors ready after you've finished your sketch! Think about the colors you want to use in your painting! Will your painting have a lot of different colors or just a few?

**Step 4:** Choose which color you want to start with. Dip your brush in the water, and wipe the extra water on the side of the cup. Then put your brush in your chosen color and start painting! Gently paint the color on your paper, and remember to rinse your paintbrush when you want to start painting with a new color!

**Step 5:** Want your painting to be even brighter? Use some extra watercolor and go over your painting with a second or third layer of paint! This will make your painting just as vibrant as your memory.

**Step 6:** When you're all done painting, go back over your lines with your ink pen. This will make your painting stand out more!

**Step 7:** Congratulations! You finished the watercolor painting of your Summertime memory! Go share your painting and your memory with your friends and family.



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