

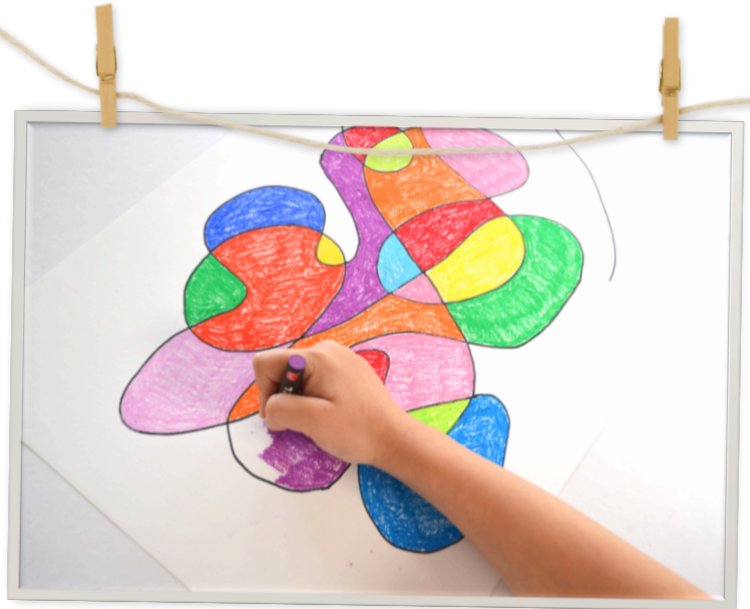


# Activity for kids: Painting with Oil Pastels

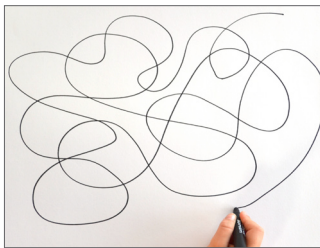
These ribbon paintings are super bright and easy to make. They are also great for relaxation and inspiring creativity!

## You'll need..

- Micador Oil pastels
- early stART painting paper
- Micador Colourfun black marker
- Vegetable oil
- Cotton tips (also known as q-tips)
- Paint brushes



## Let's start...



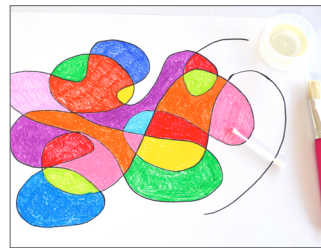
### 1. SCRIBBLE YOUR RIBBON

Using your black marker draw out a long, swirly continuous scribble. Ensure that your line loops and curls over itself numerous times.



### 2. COLOUR YOUR RIBBON

Colour in each compartment using your oil pastels. Try and ensure that no two neighbouring compartments are shaded with the same colour for best results.



### 3. TURN YOUR PASTELS INTO PAINTS

Dip a cotton bud in the oil, wipe off the excess on a tissue, and then rub it over each compartment. Watch as the oil colours magically turn into bright and vibrant paint!

### Tips:

1. Be generous with your oil pastels. The thicker the layer, the better the paint effect will be.
2. If you don't have vegetable oil at home, you could use olive, sunflower, or baby oil (the latter smells beautiful and can double as a sensory activity)!
3. Don't be too generous with the oil. Excess oil will seep into the surrounding paper and leave oil marks.
4. For larger areas of colour, you may like to use a paintbrush to apply your oil layer. Remember to wipe off excess oil to avoid oil stains!
5. If you use a paintbrush, make sure you wipe your brush with paper towel between colours. This will remove and prevent the mixing of colours in your compartments.

