

Music Notes

Tyke (4-5 years)

What we are going to do:

Listen to music and create a colourful abstract music note artwork.

What you will need:

- Cardstock paper or painting paper
- Black marker
- Paint (acrylic, tempera or watercolour)
- Sponge
- Paintbrushes



What you can also use:

- Markers



Painting to Music

Are you ready to listen to music and create an artwork? We are going to combine abstract art with music notes. What is abstract art? This is art that doesn't have to look like it's from the real world, and is created using your imagination. Abstract art uses colour and shape to express feelings and thoughts. Dark colours may make you feel sad and bright colours could make you happy. Sharp lines could feel serious, whereas, curvy lines may appear playful. When you are listening to a song how does it make you feel? This activity allows you to express those feelings in your painting.

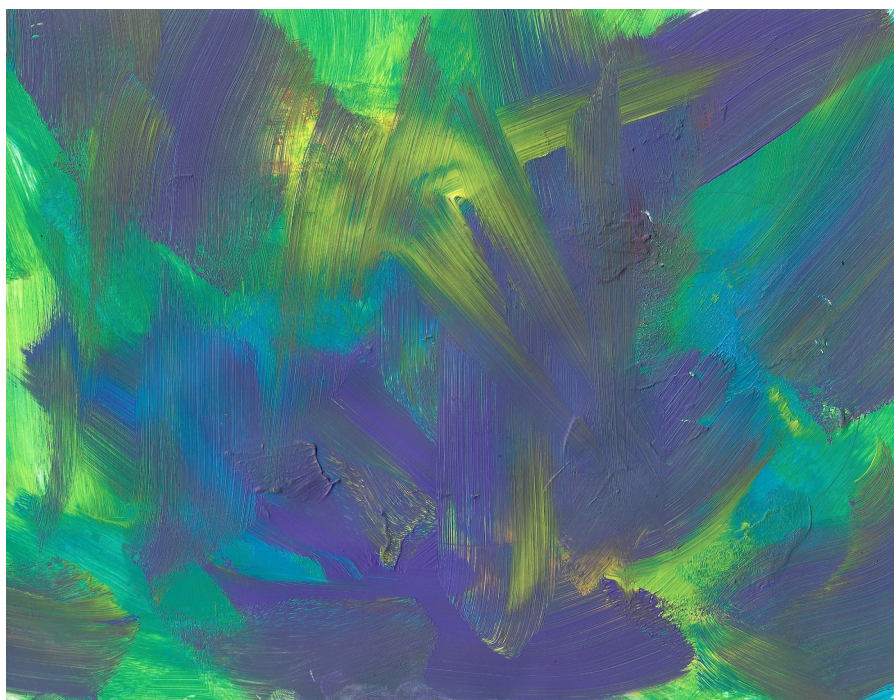
Take a look at the music notes below – the notes are combinations of circles and lines.



1

ADD COLOUR

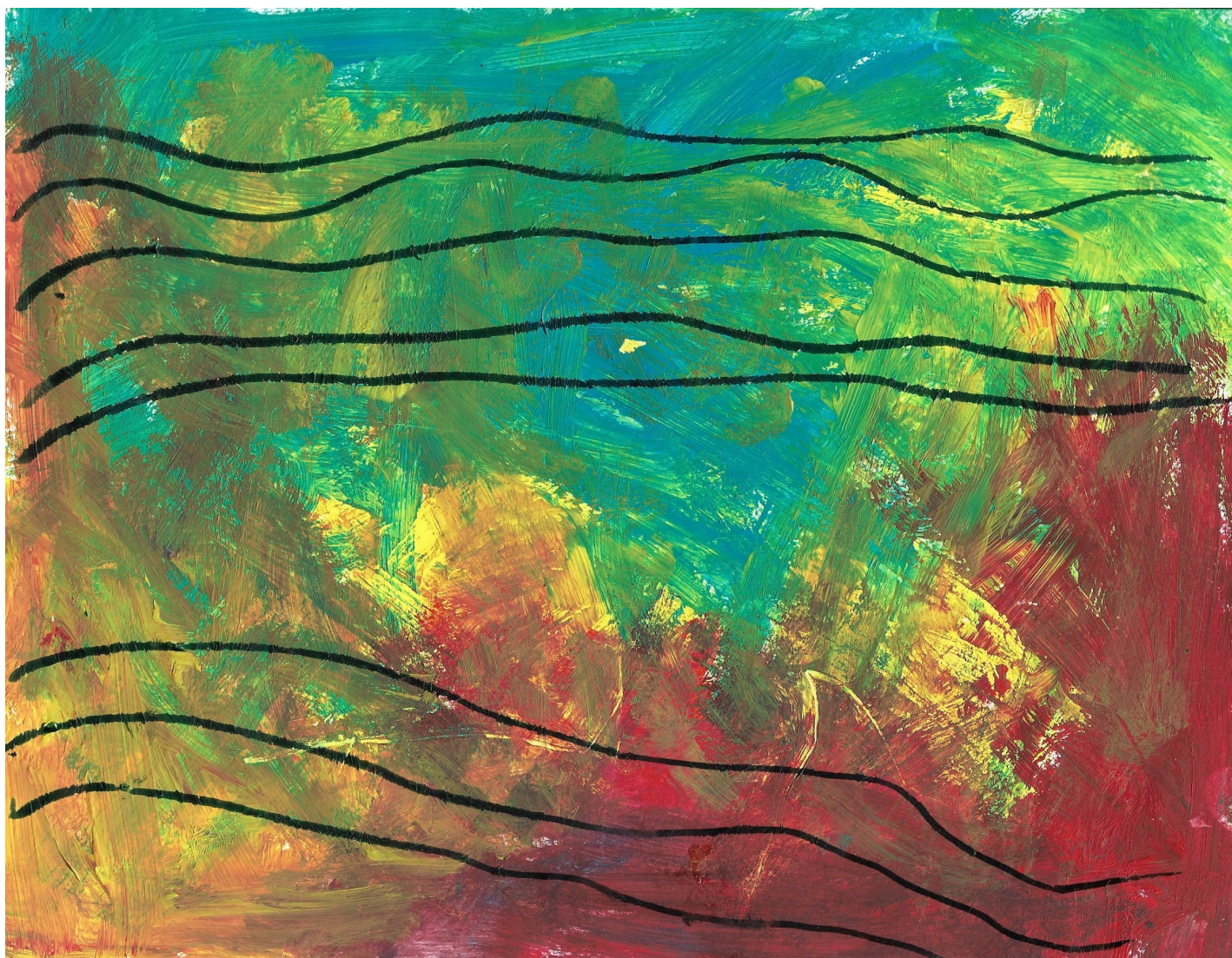
Let's get started! Turn on your favourite music to listen to and choose your paint colours. Apply the paint directly to the paper and use a paintbrush and/or sponge to spread the colour around. Listen to the music and imagine the colours and shapes you feel when you hear the song. Fill the entire space of the paper in with colour.



2

ADD THE LINES

Now it's time to add the lines to your artwork, similar to what you would see on a music sheet. You can draw one set of lines or multiple. I chose to make two sets of lines on the example below. You can do them in whatever direction you wish. You can use black marker or paint to apply the lines to your painting.



3

ADD MUSIC NOTES

It's the final step! Let's add music notes using marker or paint. Music notes are a combination of circles and lines. Sometimes those lines connect and other times they simply end. The circle can be on top of the line or below the line.

Take a look at the examples below to give you an idea of what kind of circles and lines you can use.

Now it's your turn to add the music notes along the lines!



