

UOB Art Explorer

Art At Home



Tutorial 12 : Bamboo and Blossoms Artwork

Step-by-step guide to create a bamboo and blossoms artwork using acrylic paint, sponge and cotton buds

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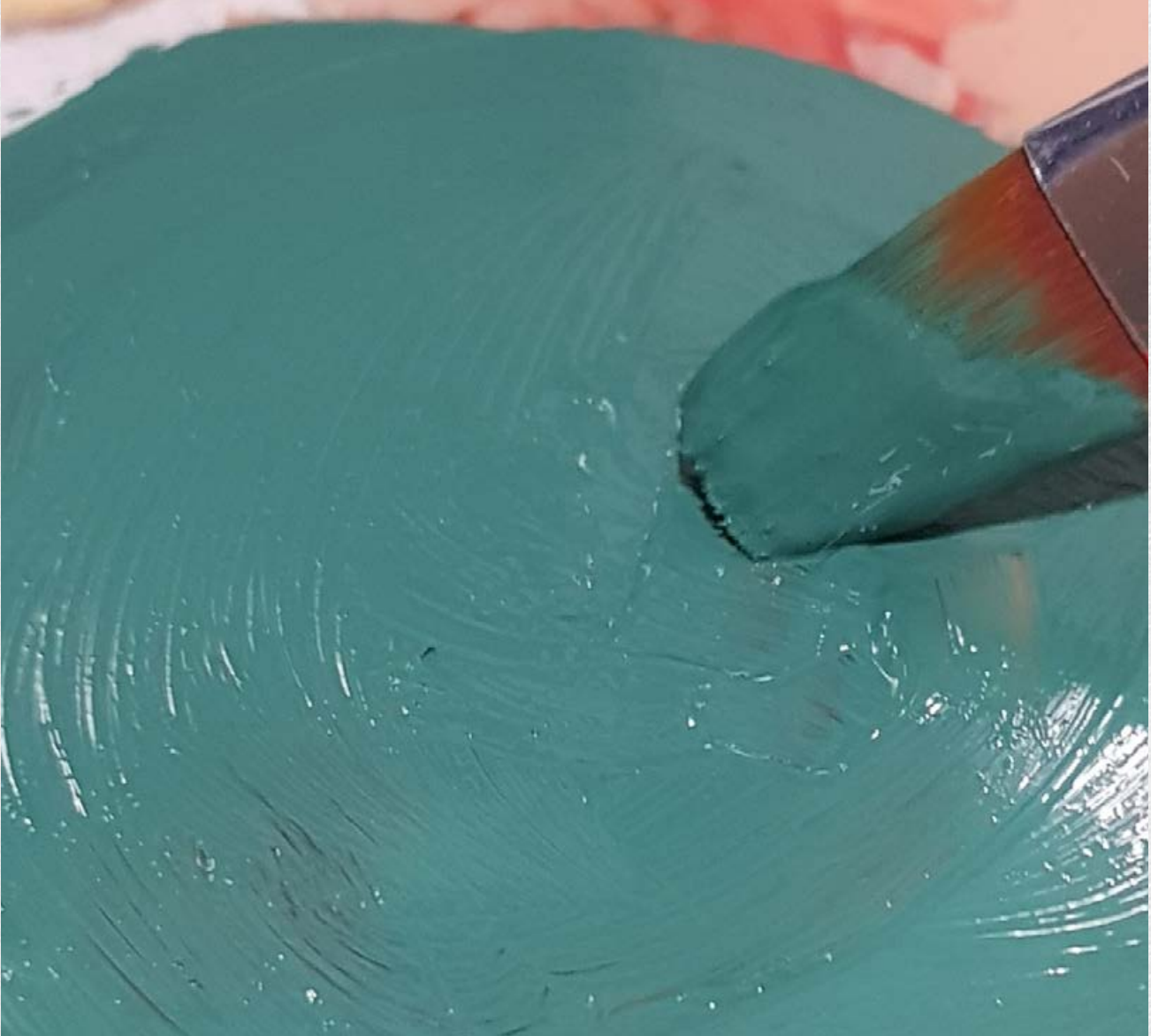
Materials: Paper, Paintbrushes, Acrylic Paint, Palette Paper, Sponge, Cotton Buds, Rubber Band and Water.



Mix yellow, blue and white paints to create pastel green colour. Add some water to thin the paint.



Paint the entire paper in pastel green colour.



Mix yellow and blue paints to create green colour. Add some water to thin the paint.



Use a flat brush to paint the bamboo stalks. Leave a gap in the stalk.



Paint the leaves.



Mix green and yellow paints to create lime colour. Add subtle hint of lime green to the bamboo.



Mix red and white paints by dabbing the sponge on it. Do not blend the colour fully.



Dab the sponge lightly in circular motions to create a circle.



Dab white paint using the sponge to create texture on the flower.



Tie 10 cotton buds using a rubber band.



Dip the cotton buds in red paint and dab around the edge of the flower to create shades.



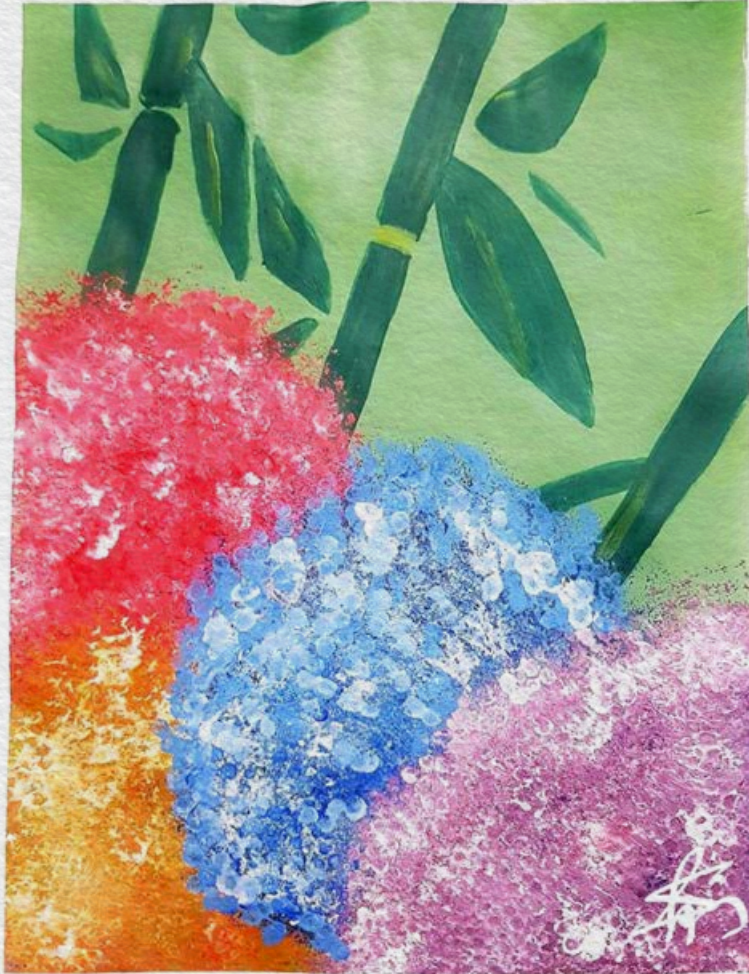
Mix yellow, white and red paints to create orange colour for another flower using the same steps.



Mix blue and white paints to create pastel blue colour for another flower using the same steps.



Mix blue, red and white paints to create violet colour for another flower using the same steps.



Apply the same technique to create another artwork.

Three important tips:

- 1 Do not blend the paints completely for the flowers to create different colour tones
- 2 Remove excess paint by dabbing the sponge on newspaper before applying to the artwork
- 3 Do not soak the sponge in water as it will dilute the colour intensity



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