CALDER BUNDLE CURRICULUM GUIDE

Art Supply List
Elements of Art & Technique Chart
Vocabulary Word Wall
# AUGUST BUNDLE:

## ARTIST: Alexander Calder

### DRAWING

- **Observation Guide**
  - Calder Primary Color Painting (using Calder’s sculptures as a guide)
  - Calder Abstract Paper Shapes (guided & observation)
  - Colorful Clowns (guided, handout)
  - Circus Cars (guided, handouts & observation)
  - Fish Shape Drawing (guided & observation)

- **Imagination**
  - Wire Fish Mobile (actual, beads & pipe cleaners)

### PAINTING

- **Tempera**
  - Calder Primary Color Painting (liquid or puck tempera)
  - Calder Abstract Paper Shapes (liquid or puck tempera)
  - Colorful Clown (liquid or puck tempera)
  - Circus Cars (puck tempera or watercolor)
  - Fish Shape Drawing (watercolor)

- **Watercolor**
  - Calder Primary Color Painting (primary & secondary)
  - Calder Abstract Paper Shapes (primary)
  - Colorful Clown (primary & secondary, mixing colors)
  - Fish Shape Drawing (warm & cool colors)

### TEXTURE

- **Actual**
  - Wire Fish Mobile (wire mobile)

### COLOR

- **Color Wheel**
  - Calder Primary Color Painting (primary & secondary)
  - Calder Abstract Paper Shapes (primary)
  - Colorful Clown (primary & secondary, mixing colors)
  - Fish Shape Drawing (warm & cool colors)

### FORM

- **Sculptrure**
  - Calder Primary Color Painting (positive & negative, overlap)
  - Calder Abstract Paper Shapes (positive & negative)
  - Colorful Clowns (overlapping shapes)
  - Wire Fish Mobile (actual, 3D object that hangs in space)
  - Circus Cars (overlap, illusion of depth)
  - Fish Shape Drawing (positive & negative)

### SPACE

- **Positive & Negative**
  - Calder Primary Color Painting (round and curved shapes, organic)
  - Calder Abstract Paper Shapes (geometric & organic shapes, intersecting lines, patterns)
  - Colorful Clowns (patterns, organic shapes)
  - Circus Cars (repetition of lines & shapes)
  - Fish Shape Drawing (grid, geometric shapes)
GATHER YOUR ART SUPPLIES

☐ 12” x 18” white sulphite paper
☐ 12” x 18” watercolor paper*
☐ Watercolor paints*
☐ Puck tempera paint or liquid tempera paint
   (varied colors + red, yellow, & blue)
☐ Black oil pastels, crayons or markers
☐ Posters or images of Calder’s artwork
   (included in lessons)
☐ Calder books (suggestions included in
   lessons)
☐ Pieces of 5” x 5” black sulphite paper
☐ Glue sticks
☐ Scissors
☐ 2 @ 10” pipe cleaners per student
☐ 12-14” of galvanized garden wire per
   student
☐ Assortment of craft beads
☐ 12” x 15” white sulphite paper
☐ 8” x 10” colored card stock
☐ Colored crayons, oil pastels or markers
☐ Large paint brushes
☐ Water
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**DRAWING**

| OBSERVATION GUIDE IMAGINATION | • Calder Primary Color Painting (using Calder’s sculptures as a guide)  
| • Calder Abstract Paper Shapes (guided & observation)  
| • Circus Cars (guided & observation)  
| • Standing Paper Mobile (templates or free-hand)  
| • Paper Stabile (drawing design on folded paper) |

**PAINTING**

| TEMPERA WATERCOLOR | • Calder Primary Color Painting (liquid or puck tempera)  
| • Calder Abstract Paper Shapes (liquid or puck tempera)  
| • Circus Cars (puck tempera or watercolor) |

**TEXTURE**

| ACTUAL | • Pipe Cleaner Standing Mobile (actual, pipe cleaners & foam)  
| • Standing Paper Mobile (actual, paper, pipe cleaner & foam)  
| • Paper Stabile (actual, paper & stickers) |

**COLOR**

| COLOR WHEEL MIXING | • Calder Primary Color Painting (primary & secondary)  
| • Calder Abstract Paper Shapes (primary)  
| • Standing Paper Mobile (primary) |

**FORM**

| SCULPTURE | • Pipe Cleaner Standing Mobile (pipe cleaner base & balanced weight)  
| • Standing Paper Mobile (paper base & balanced weight)  
| • Paper Stabile (paper sculpture) |

**SPACE**

| POSITIVE & NEGATIVE OVERLAP ACTUAL | • Calder Primary Color Painting (positive & negative, overlap)  
| • Calder Abstract Paper Shapes (positive & negative)  
| • Circus Cars (overlap, illusion of depth)  
| • Pipe Cleaner Standing Mobile (actual, 3D)  
| • Standing Paper Mobile (actual, 3D)  
| • Paper Stabile (actual, 3D) |

**LINES/SHAPES**

| GEOMETRIC ORGANIC | • Calder Primary Color Painting (round and curved shapes, organic)  
| • Calder Abstract Paper Shapes (geometric & organic shapes, intersecting lines, patterns)  
| • Circus Cars (repetition of lines & shapes)  
| • Pipe Cleaner Standing Mobile (geometric and/or organic)  
| • Standing Paper Mobile (geometric and/or organic)  
| • Paper Stabile (symmetry, organic-rounded & angled) |
GATHER YOUR ART SUPPLIES

- 12” x 18” white sulphite paper
- Puck tempera paint or liquid tempera paint (varied colors + red, yellow, & blue)
- Black oil pastels, crayons or markers
- Posters or images of Calder’s artwork (included in lessons)
- Calder books (suggestions included in lessons)
- Pieces of 5” x 5” black sulphite paper
- Glue sticks
- Scissors
- 12” x 15” white sulphite paper
- 8” x 10” colored card stock or heavy construction paper (90 lb) or painted cereal boxes for Standing Mobile lesson
- Colored crayons & oil pastels*
- Large paint brushes
- Water
- Pipe cleaners
- Colored foam with sticky backing or regular foam
- Pencils
- Tape
- Decorative stickers or markers
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GATHER YOUR ART SUPPLIES

☐ Colored foam with sticky backing or regular foam
☐ Colored card stock or heavy construction paper (90 lb) or painted cereal boxes for Standing Mobile lesson
☐ Scissors
☐ Glue sticks
☐ Pencils
☐ Tape
☐ Pipe cleaners
☐ Decorative stickers or markers

For Easy Hanging Mobile:
☐ Cardboard or card stock
☐ Heavy gauge garden wire or pipe cleaners
☐ Scissors
☐ Glue sticks

For Advanced Hanging Mobile:
☐ Sheet metal
☐ Sheers
☐ Needle nose pliers
☐ Wire
ALEXANDER CALDER

FORM

MOBILE
KINETIC SCULPTURE

STABLE

SPACE
CALDER UNIT VOCABULARY

PRIMARY COLORS

SECONDARY COLORS

ABSTRACT
GEOMETRIC SHAPE

ORGANIC SHAPE

PATTERN
SPACE

OVERLAP