

# Paint Party: Programming Ideas

- Consider stepping away from traditional mediums like canvas and paper
  - Try making painted rocks, and pair this with geocaching at a future event!
- See what other libraries have done:
  - Coached painting with local artist or instructor:  
<https://programminglibrarian.org/programs/paint-night>
  - Chaotic/ "Bad" Art Expo  
<https://ontarianlibrarian.com/2017/04/07/bad-art-night-2-0/>
  - "Hack" the Painting  
<https://ontarianlibrarian.com/2018/10/27/hack-that-painting-program-outline/>
- Tap into Creative Bug for guided instruction
  - Geode paintings  
<https://www.creativebug.com/classseries/single/make-a-geode-painting>
  - Clothespin Dolls  
<https://www.creativebug.com/classseries/single/clothespin-dolls>  
*(Could be used for a future event with the Virtual Reality or Tabletop Roleplaying kits)*
  - Create your own gift wrap  
<https://www.creativebug.com/classseries/single/diy-painted-holiday-giftwrap>  
*Great for holiday programming all year!*
  - Found Image Inspiration  
<https://www.creativebug.com/classseries/single/found-image-painting>
  - Try something new with abstract painting  
<https://www.creativebug.com/classseries/single/daily-abstract-painting-prompts-working-collaboratively>
  - Make gem paperweights  
<https://www.creativebug.com/classseries/single/valentine-s-day-crafts-gem-paperweights>
  - Let loose with a big of doodling and portraiture  
<https://www.creativebug.com/classseries/single/doodle-and-paint-an-animal-portrait>
  - Revisit the basics of color, mixing, and technique  
<https://www.creativebug.com/classseries/single/paint-a-geometric-8-pointed-star>

*When supplies are low or the quantity should be increased for better ease of use, need replacement, or if you have suggestions for improving this kit, please let Prairielands Library Exchange ([info@prairielands.org](mailto:info@prairielands.org)) know!*