

Equality - ART CONNECTION - Chinese Calligraphy

While Chinese calligraphy is considered an art form and can take many years to master, you can create beautiful works of art with just a little practice and inexpensive materials. To imitate the special ink used by calligraphers use a basic watercolor set and pre-soak the “cake” of black paint until it is quite wet and thick. Use any soft watercolor or craft brush with bristles about as thick as your pinky and tapering to a point.



After watching a demonstration by your teacher or on the internet, practice on scrap paper until you are comfortable with the basic brushstrokes. Next, search through the internet or materials provided by your teacher and select a Chinese character that you like. Now, practice making this character. Use scrap paper again! Finally, when you feel confident about your efforts, paint your character on a 6" square of cardstock. When your piece has dried mount it on a larger piece of contrasting board and display for all to see! ♦

雨

Rain

月亮

Moon

太阳

Sun

树

Tree