## THOMBS MY...

The use of fingerprints, thumb prints and photographs in creating art is fast becoming a favorite among Pre-school and Kindergarten teachers.

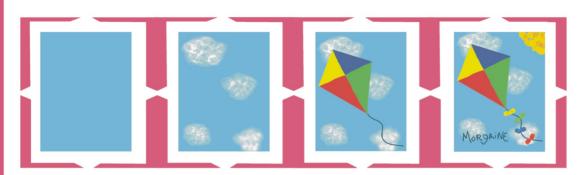
Fingerprints and thumb prints are an easy addition to any piece of artwork. They can be fashioned into anything you can imagine.

Photos add a very personal touch to any masterpiece. They allow everyone to know just who crafted that fine work of art.

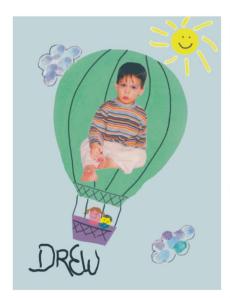
Make your artwork the very best it can be by using BRIGHT BOLD COLORS.

The child's name should also be displayed on each piece.

Please refer to the following pages for a sampling of ideas based on fingerprints, thumb prints and photos.



- 1) Start with a solid blue background. We used light blue construction paper trimmed to the 8" X 10  $\frac{1}{2}$ " size.
- 2) Add white clouds to your blue sky. Cotton balls or small sponges, dipped lightly in white paint, work great for creating the clouds. Let dry completely.
- 3) Cut your kite pieces from four brightly colored pieces of construction paper. Assemble and glue your kite pieces firmly to the "sky". Draw your kite string with a black marker. Sign your masterpiece now to avoid having to wait for Step #4 to dry.
- 4) The kite ribbons and the sun are fingerprint impressions. Tempura or fingerpaint work best for creating brightly colored fingerprints. Use your imagination to vary the colors and placement. Let dry.



Fingerprints, thumb prints and photos are easily combined to achieve a

one of a kind masterpiece.



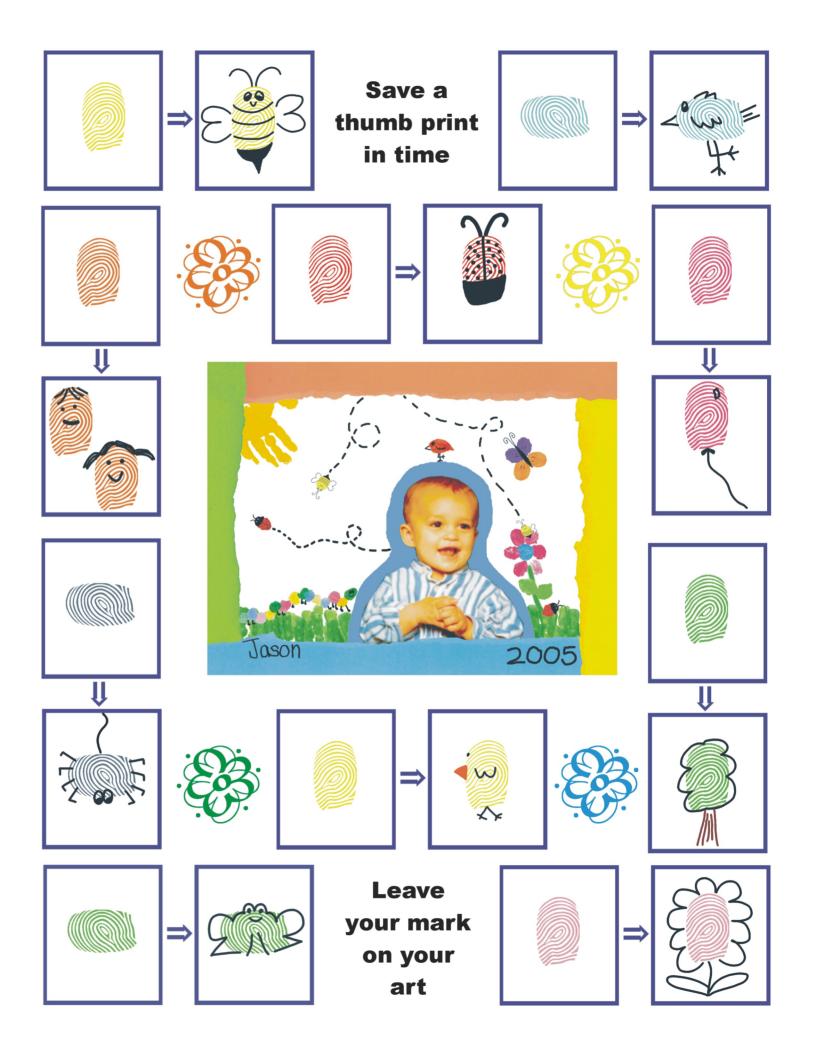










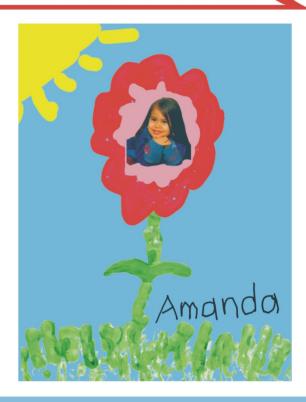


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- 1) Start by choosing a background for your photo. We chose a worksheet to color. We reduced the size before copying and then trimmed to the 8 X 10 ½ size.
- 2) Have your artist(s) complete their background. Our artist used brightly colored markers.
- Firmly affix your photo to the center of your page and record the child's name.