Make a Masterpiece

Paint With What?

What you need:

• Unconventional/alternative painting tools to a paintbrush. Items such as: toy dinosaurs, cars and trucks, Legos, cups, yarn, buttons, etc. Look for items such as lids, bottles, and packaging materials is in your recycling bin. Also consider using natural materials such as rocks, sticks, feathers, etc. Be creative!

• Paper

• Tempera paint

• Tray or plate for paint

• Smocks (optional)

• Table covering (optional)

What you do:

1. Clear space on a flat surface, like a dining room table. To avoid making a mess where you don’t want to make a mess, cover with a tablecloth, newspaper, anything you don’t mind getting paint on. It’s helpful to tape your covering down to keep it from moving around.

2. Gather your painting tools: toy cars, blocks, yarn, lids, rocks, sticks, or whatever else you can think of.

3. Put your paint out on a tray or plate where you can easily dip your items into the paint.

4. Get creative! Try rolling or tapping various items in your paint and then on to your paper. Experiment with using more or less paint. What types of textures and patterns you can make with different items?