



Lesson#: **Title:** How to Draw a Mandala **Date:** **Time of day:**

Artists: Samantha Kuang

Materials/Prep: Paper is essential, but you can choose between using pencils, pens, markers, or color pencils.

Introduction/Goals: Drawing a mandala is a simple way to create a beautiful piece of abstract art that does not take a lot of planning. You can stop whenever you need a break or feel that it is complete. This project is intended to be relaxing.

Activity: Decide if you want your mandala to be black and white or colorful. If you want it to be black and white, it is recommended that you use a pen or marker because it stands out more than the pencil. Determine the center of the mandala by drawing your first shape there. Then draw geometric or organic shapes repeatedly in a circle. Repeat this step until you are satisfied with the size of your mandala. Color in the mandala if you desire.

Vocabulary: Mandala, Geometric shapes, and Organic shapes

Closing: Explaining why we chose the materials that we did and showing each other our mandalas

Successes: Creating art on the spot

Challenges: Trying to make sure the mandala is even on all sides and deciding what shapes to use

CA State Standard(s): PK.VA:Cr1.1, 1.VA:Cr2.1, Prof.VA:Cr2.1

Relevant Artist(s) and Distinguished People: Stephanie Smith, Jamie Locke