



# of the missouri **Outdoor Art Apprentice** heartland



**Age-level:** Cadette

**Pillar:** Outdoors

**Badge Description:** Find out how to observe and collect things outdoors that will drive your art and creativity.

1. Explore art outdoors.
  - Head outside and find an outdoor scene—it might be a lake, tree, trail, or a plant in your backyard. Write about it or sketch in color, then record everything you observe. Go out and record this same setting again at another time of day. Is the lighting different? Did weather make a difference in the scene?
2. Make something!
  - Dye something you can wear. [Find natural dye materials](#)—such as beets, berries, roots, nuts, carrots, tea leaves, or flowers—to dye a t-shirt, tote, or scarf, or whatever you want!
3. Get to know—and create—sounds of nature.
  - Create a nature playlist. Create a playlist out of at least five songs to listen to when you're doing a fun outdoor activity. Choose a theme then create a nature-themed cover art for your playlist.
4. Be a nature photographer.
  - Photograph patterns and texture in nature. Find ones that appeal to you, such as the swirls on a butterfly wing, the shape of a petal, the veins on a leaf, or the patterns on the snowflake. Then, create a showcase of your work. Create a digital album you can share with your family.
5. Design with nature.
  - Create something that works with the weather, then use it outside. Make a [sun-catcher](#), [sundial](#), or [pinwheel](#).

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