Karen Savage-Blue
Artist-Landscape-Painting
Season 11 Episode 15 Segment Starts 1:18

1. Learning Objectives

Students learn about

• Geographic area influences what Karen paints
• Intersections of art across many cultures
• Personal interpretation and reaction to visual art
• The tools used to create landscape paintings

2. Key Concepts

• Cultural influences
• Individual view of art, artist and viewer
• Themes used in paintings
• Characteristics of visual art; color, line, shape, value, form, texture and space
• Principles of visual art; repetition, pattern, emphasis, contrast and balance
• Tools and techniques used to create paintings

3. Teachers Quick Reference

Duluth, MN
Digital Photography
Palette Knife
Landscape Art

Landscape is a profound majestic subject. This challenges Karen to show the magic we have in our world.

The connection of seeing the Earth as a female influences Karen’s art to move into an understanding of the natural world to protect it.

Karen uses photography with painting to create her art. She uses oil paint to recreate the digital images. She took a photo everyday of the natural environment. Karen would choose a photo to use as a reference for her work.

Tools used include a camera, computer, palette knife, and paint brush. The palette knife is challenging as it moves the paint differently than a brush.
The 365 Series took a year to complete. She painted one painting a day.

Karen’s new art project involves a random application of the paint that becomes the basis of what ever is to evolve. Karen lets the art show itself to her.

This new project combines the human form into the landscape. This allows her to show the connection between humans and the environment, especially for women and how women see themselves in nature.

4. Content Review
   • What type of art is this?
   • What materials are used?
   • Explain the themes of Karen’s art.
   • What is the intention of his art?
   • Identify the tools used by Karen.
   • What influences Karen to paint the subject matter in her paintings?

5. Discussion Questions
   • What connection does Karen make to her art?
   • What thoughts are taken into consideration when creating her art?
   • What is the significance of using a palette knife for the application of paint?
   • List the Characteristics and principles of visual art; color, line, shape, value, form, texture and space, repetition, pattern, emphasis, contrast and most importantly balance.
   • Create an analysis of his art based on the artists intention, cultural symbols, characteristics and principles.
   • Analyze how visual art is influenced by personal, social, cultural and historical contexts.

6. Resources

Karen’s Website
http://www.karensavageblue.com/

Video of Karen Working
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zT9Wldgtoto