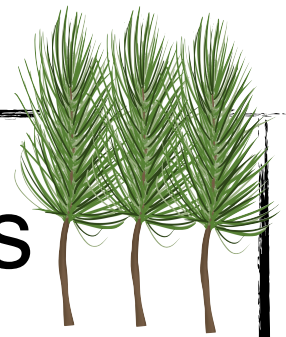


Just Like the Other Trees



Inspired by *Pando: A Living Wonder of Trees* by Kate Allen Fox.

A clone is an exact genetic copy of a living thing. The trees that make up Pando are clones. That means that each of Pando's trees grows, looks, and tastes like the original tree.

Goal: Make a mural of trees that all look the same.

You will need:

- A twig
- Paper
- Paint (brown, green, or other colors that you want to use for your forest)
- Paint brush
- Objects to use as a stamp which could be: a piece of sponge, crumpled paper, a cotton ball, crumpled tin foil, or bubble wrap

What to do:

- Select a twig that will lie flat on a piece of paper. If the twig has leaves, remove them.
- Put paint one side of the twig. Place the painted side on a piece of paper to create the trunks of a forest of trees. Add more to the twig as needed.
- Let the paint dry.
- Select an object or objects that you can dip in paint and use as a stamp to create the canopy of the trees.
- Once you have added the leaves to your trees, let your mural dry.

Other things to try:

- Write or tell someone a story about the forest you created. You might include:
 - What the forest needs to grow and be healthy
 - How people can enjoy the forest and keep it safe
 - Information about the animals that live in your forest
 - What you might see if you took a hike in your forest