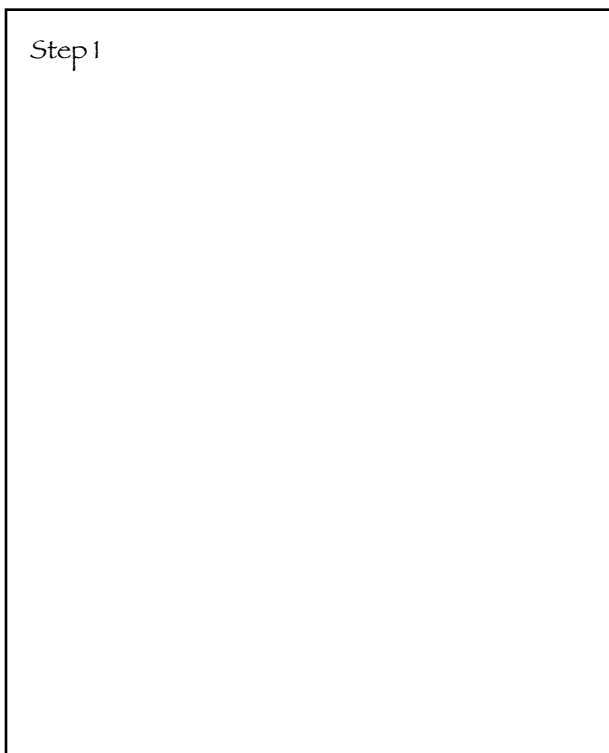


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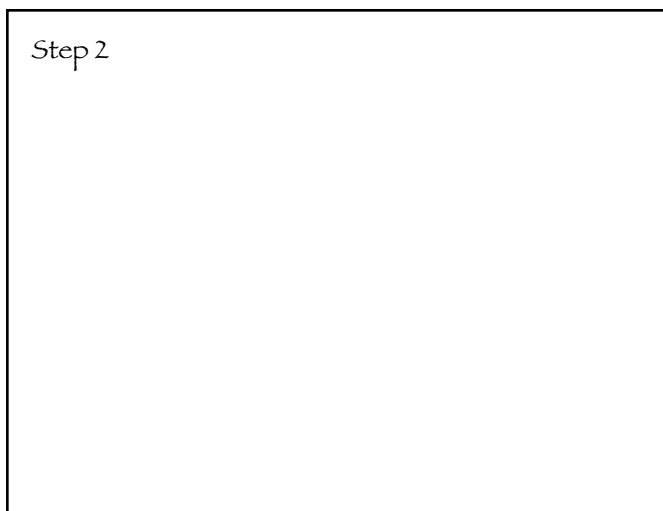


Step 1. Start by practicing the stems of the bamboo. Start with the brush at the bottom of the page and pull upwards, Press the brush hairs flat against the paper, pull up to paint the first segment, and release. Leave a little space in between each segment. Repeat till you reach the top of the paper. Make a whole page of stems this way. See if you can vary them in width as well as darkness and lightness.

Step 2



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Step 2. Next practice painting a page of small branches. Hold your brush close to the bottom of the brush and rest your hand lightly against the paper.

Step 3



Step 3. Next practice the leaves. When painting leaves it is important to change the brush pressure. This way you will get a thin point at the beginning and end of the leaf and the thicker part in the middle.

Step 3



Turn page over for step 4 ----->

Step 4 Now lets combine what you learned...

Get a piece of brown newsprint. You are now ready to combine all 3 parts of painting bamboo (Steps 1-3) into one painting.

Directions for step 4.

A.) Use a piece of brown newsprint

B.) Practice combining the stems (step 1), branches (step 2) and leaves (step 3) that you learned earlier by painting a bamboo grove with many bamboo plants. Remember to hold the brush vertically.

C.) Use good craftsmanship and put your name on the newsprint.

As a tip try to make some parts of the bamboo dark and some parts lighter. Ink mixed with water will make the value lighter and combining layers or using darker ink will make the values darker.

Examples of bamboo

