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## APS Adventures in Pastel

### Adventure Four: "Color to the 4th Power"

Welcome! Our fourth APS Pastel Adventure is "Color to the 4th Power" which will allow us to explore the language of color. Color has been called an emotional language that simply cannot be put into words, instead, it must be experienced. In this adventure, we will let the colors flow and explore just how loudly color can speak to us and to our viewers.

#### HERE'S THE CHALLENGE:

**Step 1:** Select an object, a scene or a still life that you want to paint four times. This could be a donut, a shoe, an ice cream cone, a landscape, a portrait of your pet, etc. The options are limitless, but pick something that holds your interest.

**Step 2:** Divide your painting surface into four equal squares. These squares can be of any size you like as long as they are all equal.

**Step 3:** Each square will have the same object, but you will paint each square with different hues. The color choices are up to you. Think Andy Warhol and the "Campbell Soup Cans". Same object but each in different hues. *See the illustration attached as an example using a cupcake as the object.*

**Step 4:** As you paint, consider how the hues you employ change the emotional impact of the object. Please feel free to share your observations when you send in your photo. And yes, black, white and grays are all considered colors and definitely convey an emotional impact all their own.

**Step 5:** : Take a photo of your painting with the four squares and send it to Kay Gordon ([jkaygordon364@gmail.com](mailto:jkaygordon364@gmail.com)) by Sunday, August 23 at 6pm. **Be sure to include the size and your title.** Remember this deadline is firm and nothing received after this time can be posted. Let the colors speak! On your mark; get set; PAINT!

Example of 4 color choices using a cupcake as the object.



Gary Rupp, *Now it's a Party* 12 x 12 pastel