



# ARTMAKING PROJECT

## Watercolor Postcard and Greeting Card!



*Plum Tree in Blossom*, 1860-1907, Dodge Macknight, American; Watercolor

Postcards were created because people were interested in finding new ways to send quick notes. Hand-painted cards, done on standard postcards or plain pieces of high-quality cardboard became popular at the turn of the 20th century and continue to be collected today.

Create your own card to share with a friend. For inspiration, see this watercolor by Dodge Macknight, painted around the same time as postcards were invented!

### | MATERIALS



Paper 3.5" x 5" or 5" x 7"



Envelope, stamp and pen



Watercolor paints, crayons, colored pencils or markers



Water and paper towel if using watercolors



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## Directions



### Step 1

Use a pencil and create a light sketch of your design on the card.



### Step 2

Use your coloring utensil to follow your sketch and color in your design.



### Step 3

Leave your card lying flat and allow it to dry.



### Step 4

Once the paint has dried, write a message to the person you are sending it to on the inside of your greeting card or the back of your postcard.



### Step 5

Add an address and a stamp to send it to a friend and share it with us on social media at [#AtHomeDIA](#)



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