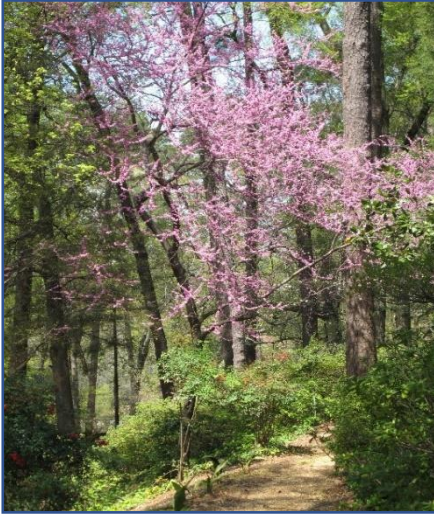


CREATE WITH THE COLUMBUS MUSEUM

NATURE RUBBINGS



INSPIRED BY



The Bradley Olmsted Garden

Artists have been inspired by nature throughout history. In the Columbus Museum's galleries, you will find lots of artworks showing nature scenes. And on the Museum's grounds, you will find the Bradley Olmsted Garden. The garden was planted almost 100 years ago when the Museum was a private home.

What plants or flowers would you plant in your own garden?



DIRECTIONS



1. Gather your art supplies. You will need natural materials like leaves, flower petals, tree bark, or other mostly flat items that have a raised texture. You will also need crayons and paper.
2. Remove the paper wrapper from your crayon. You will get the best rubbing by laying your crayon on its side.
3. Choose one of your nature objects and cover it with your paper. Gently hold it in place as you rub your crayon over the object lightly. You should start to see the outline of your object show up on your paper.
4. Experiment with different materials and arrangements. You may find that some of your objects make better rubbings than others. Can you create a repeating pattern with your objects?
5. Admire your finished artwork! What other objects can you make crayon rubbings with?

