











Trees in Fall by Janet Nunn

The leaves in the fall this year have been the brightest and fullest in years. Aspen on the Road"© Janet Nunn 2021

Step 1. Draw the scene. Start with the larger Aspen and sketch from there.

Step 2. Mask off all of the Aspen trees, Try using masking tape and cut away the excess tape with a razor blade. You may try liquid mask too. Both will work just fine.

Step 3. Dip a basting brush in Hansa Yellow Light then in the area of the Aspen trees to create the Aspen leaves. Continue this process with Gamboge, Brilliant Cad Red and Sap Green. Mist the paper with water and let the colors mix. Let this dry.

Step 4, 5 and 6. Paint in the grasses. Use a piece of wax paper and wrap around a string for the grasses. Dip the wad in the Gamboge and Hansa Yellow Deep then "Mush" the wax paper on the paper. This creates great grasses. Let this dry.

Step 7. Use Ultramarine and Phthalo Blue for the sky area. With a large round brush paint around all of the Aspen trees and leaves. Let this dry.

Step 8. Use the way paper again. This time use, Indian Red, Sap Green and Deep Red Rose. Let this dry.

Step 9. Remove the mask. Now paint the shadow areas on the tree. Start with a water wash on the right side of the tree. Now run Payne's Gray on the right and let the colors mix together. Do this for all of the trees.

Step 10. Add the dark blemishes on the trees. Use Payne's Gray and Carbon Black. Use perspective on the rings of the trees. The bottom rings are Smile Faces, the center straight faces and the tall ones are sad faces. The tree on the right runs in and out of the foliage. Add a few tree branches and you are finished.







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