Mixed Media Haunted Houses

To create a mixed media haunted house, first we'll make a spooky sky using watercolor techniques, add paper collage to construct our houses, and use markers, pastels, or crayons to add creepy details!

**MATERIALS**

- Sturdy Paper
- Black marker
- Watercolors, water, and paintbrush - or - Plastic bag, markers, spray bottle
- Black paper
- Scissors
- Glue

**STEP ONE**

Watercolor paint

Use a large brush to apply a wash, or a thin layer of water to the entire page. Add color to your sky one at a time. The wet paper will help your colors bleed together! Be careful not to use too much water or paint, or it will take forever to dry!

**STEP ONE** - OR -

Markers

Lightly coat your paper with water using a spray bottle. Use washable markers to color on a plastic bag and spray once or twice with water. Flip bag face down onto paper and spread the wet ink around through the plastic onto your paper. Wipe off bag and repeat as many times as necessary.

**STEP TWO**

Collage House

On a piece of black, brown, or grey paper, use a pencil to start sketching your haunted house. How many stories does it have? Is there a tower? What shape is the roof? Get creative with your design! On a separate, lighter piece of paper, draw and cut out windows for your house. Try different shapes and sizes! Glue windows onto house.

**STEP THREE**

Cut out the outline of your house, and glue onto the (dry) painted sky.

**STEP FOUR**

Creepy Details!

Is your house on a hill? Is there a tree with spiky branches? Is that someone inside the house? Do bats and spiders call your house their home? Use markers, crayons or pastels to transform your house into a place you would enter only if you dare.

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