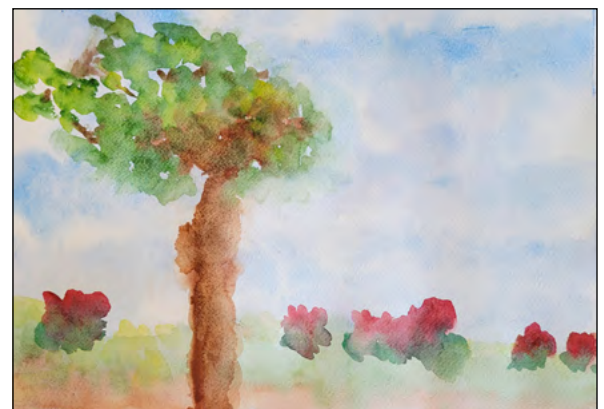




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Recent activities at the VA Martinez included painting skies



Without a photo to copy, skies can be challenging because they rely on memory and imagination. Even a plain air sky tends to change.

Dale demonstrated a sky and added an offset tree. Interestingly the artists moved the tree to the center. The artist who painted a Sedona landscape added upward shapes in the center "created by the wind."

We are in a different unit and the population has changed. We have an artist who has degrees in fine art and graphic arts. He showed us a beautiful book he illustrated that is available online. He chose to sketch but assisted others in their painting process. He did some sketches and gave a lesson on basic sketching techniques that were well received.



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