

## 2016 Lesson Plan Middle School



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<b>Instructional Focus/Project Title:</b> Clay Totem Poles	<b>Medium: Mixed Media</b> Clay
<b>Goals/Objectives:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Clay construction</li> <li>• Significance of totem poles in Native American culture</li> </ul>	<b>Art Element/Principle:</b> Color Design
<b>Vocabulary:</b> <u>Totem Pole:</u> monuments created by First Nations of the Northwest Pacific to represent and commemorate ancestry, histories, people, or events <u>Symbolism:</u> use symbols to represent something use, such as the clans one belongs to	<b>Resources:</b> <a href="http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=y6r5jQvQ6n0">www.youtube.com/watch?v=y6r5jQvQ6n0</a> <a href="http://www.youtube.com/watch/?v=6Lht4XGkk0k">www.youtube.com/watch/?v=6Lht4XGkk0k</a>
<b>Materials/Supplies:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Totem Images</li> <li>• White clay slabs</li> <li>• Cardboard cylinders</li> <li>• Clay tools</li> <li>• Slip</li> <li>• Paper and pencils for sketching</li> <li>• Paints/ brushes</li> <li>• Acrylic paint – choose only 3-4 colors</li> </ul>	
<b>Activity/Procedures:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Students will learn about the significance of totem poles in native American culture via PowerPoint</li> <li>• Pick 3 animals they want to use and practice designing their totem           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Beaver – builder, creative, strong sense of family</li> <li>○ Eagle – strength, ruler of the sky, leadership</li> <li>○ Frog – spring and new life, communicator, stability</li> <li>○ Owl – wisdom, watchful</li> <li>○ Whale – hunter commander of the sea</li> <li>○ Wolf – loyalty, success, powerful, healer of humans</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Make base with slap construct around cardboard cylinder</li> <li>• Combine to pieces together with slip, construct with slip and score</li> <li>• Dry out and glaze</li> </ul>	