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Michael Mazur, Pond Edge, 1996. Oil on canvas, 52 in. x 74 in.

Michael Mazur is a painter and printmaker who made art for over 50 years. He created both abstract and representational work and is influenced by elements of Impressionist art, Abstract Expressionism, and traditional Chinese landscape scroll painting.

Pond Edge is an example of Mazur's abstract work and it consists of many colors that blend and drip together. This creates a layered and atmospheric quality and invites the viewer to get lost in the painting. Mazur is painting his reflection and interpretation of a pond. Now it's your turn to experiment with blending colors! If you'd like, take time to first reflect on a feeling or experience you've had, and then represent what you are thinking about through color.

For more information about this artwork click <u>here.</u>

Activity: Egg Carton Sculpture

Materials:

- Egg carton
- Tempera, acrylic, or craft paint
- Paint brushes
- Scissors
- Glue or tape

Directions:

- Paint the top of your egg carton in a variety of colors. See what new colors you can create while blending. Let dry.
- Use scissors to cut the egg carton into different sections.
- Join the sections together by overlapping the cups where you would like them to join. Once you have an arrangement you like, secure the sections in place with tape or glue.

Tips:

• Have a friend create an egg carton sculpture as well and then see if you can join the two together for a combined creation!

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