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Learning Objective:

We are learning to plan our piece of abstract art.

Success Criteria:

I will be successful if:

- I can plan an abstract art background.
- I can plan a space feature in the foreground.
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About the Rocket Paintings:

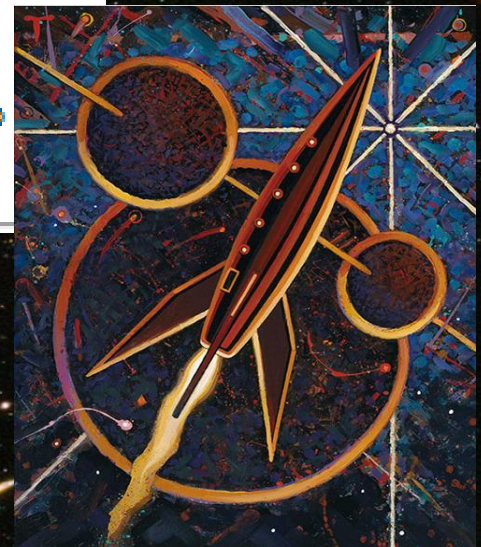
"I started the rocket paintings in the 1980s as a way to use paint that I would have otherwise thrown away. After each commercial job I did, there would be a pallet half full of paint left over and it pained me to toss it, but the next painting required a new pallet. It finally occurred to me that I could easily paint an abstract background on a blank board or canvas with the left over paint.

"But, what should I do with the abstracts?"

"I started to do figures, landscapes, and, as a long time space fan, rockets and planets on top of the backgrounds. Some of the figures and landscapes got noticed. But everyone loved the rockets.

"I have a life long love of space exploration, space science and science fiction, in that order. I've worked for years with pro-space groups as a graphic designer, and suddenly they were asking to buy my 'fine art' rocket paintings.

"People have liked the rocket paintings, so I continue to do them. Thank you to everyone who has supported them!"



What is abstract art?

A painting or sculpture that does not represent a person, place or thing in the natural world.





Powered Orbit



Mars Landing



Standing Ready



Rocket #25



Rocket Race



Rocket #35



Rocket #17



Rocket #51



What do you like about the artwork?

Is there anything you would like to include in your work?

