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## Geometric Painted Canvas

## Materials

- One canvas board
- One strip of paint
- One paintbrush

You will need

- Tape (Preferably painter's tape, but masking tape or scotch tape will work as a last resort)



## Option 1: Geometric Shapes

## Directions

1. Begin laying tape over the canvas. Make sure your tape is as long or slightly longer than the canvas in the direction you are taping.
2. As you lay more tape, you will start to see the blank spaces in between the tape turn into geometric shapes such as triangles, squares, and parallelograms. You will be painting these sections.
3. When you are satisfied with the number of blank spaces on your canvas, you may begin painting.
4. Try using a variety of the provided colors so each shape is unique. You can mix colors to create your own, too!
5. When you are finished painting all the blank spaces, begin removing your tape. You may need to remove it as a "group" of tape instead of one-by-one.
6. Admire your finished product!

## Option 2: Concentric Circles

## Directions

1. Begin by creating a grid of six (6) even sections on your canvas by using the tape as your gridlines. You grid will look like this:

2. Using any color of paint, create a small circle in the middle of the first grid square

3. Using another color of paint, create a circle around the first circle.

4. Using another color of paint, create a circle around both circles.

5. When your circles touch all four sides of the grid square, paint the background a color of your choice.

6. Repeat with different, contrasting and complimenting colors on each of the six grid squares.
7. Admire your concentric circles inspired by Wassily Kandinsky, the artist who could hear colors!

