**Cultural Art | Lesson Plan**

**Design + Painting | 2 day**

**Lesson Description**: Artists will explore culture through symbolic imagery and color. Highlighting one culture they belong to; students will design and paint an iconic symbol onto a jean patch. Artwork will be backed with culturally evocative fabric and iron transfer backing.

**Learning** **Objective**: Utilize shape and color to create personal symbols of culture.

**Day 1: Intro + Planning**

**Introduction [20 mins]**

**Interactive Activity**: Name that image! **[5 mins]**

*Split the group into two teams to compete in a logo, symbol, icon identification game.*

**Discussion + Reflection**: Pair Share **[10 mins]**

What is a symbol? What are the benefits of symbols? What are some color associations you know of? Do any conflict?

**Interactive Activity:** Ball Toss Brainstormto generate a list of symbols **[5 mins]**

*(letters, music notes, symbols for scientific elements, zodiac, stop sign, star and crescent, lotus, recycle, money sign, roman numerals, hieroglyphs, cross, peace sign, Star of David)*

**Planning + Prepping** **[20 mins]**

**Planning:** Tri-fold worksheet **[10 mins]**

Thinking of one culture you belong to free associate 2 mins/ column

1. Rituals, History, Scenes, Place, Movements, Actions
2. Phrases, Values, Identifiers
3. Objects, Phrases, Symbols, Colors

**Prepping**: Worksheet **[10 mins]**  
 Sketch 3 symbols

Choose favorite

Define your color palette

Select fabric that will support your symbol

**Day 2: Making**

**Making**: Transfer, Back, and Paint **[30 mins]**

**Reflection**: Gallery Walk **[10 mins]**

Try to name cultural group attached to symbol if there is time.