

7 *Cool* COLORED PENCIL TECHNIQUES

General Tips:

- Buy the best quality colored pencils your budget will allow.
- Make sure you are working on a flat, clean surface.
- Try layering techniques for endless possibilities.

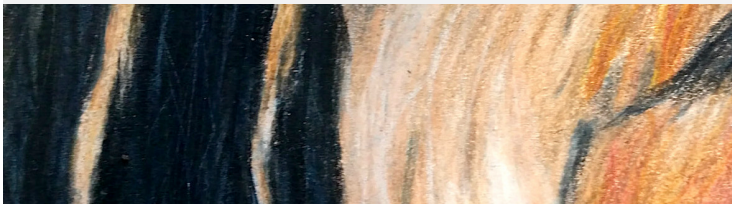
Burnishing

- Build up light layers using any type of mark making.
- Continue adding until surface appears waxy & smooth.



Scraping

- Use X-ACTO knife on a burnished surface to scrape away areas of pigment.



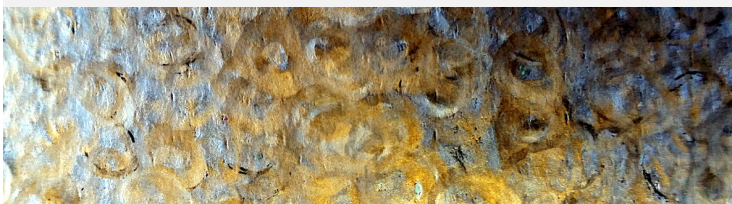
Directional Lines

- Draw lightly in one direction in swift, even strokes.
- Layer colors to add complexity and depth.



Scumbling

- Apply controlled scribbled marks, layering color as you go to build value and texture.



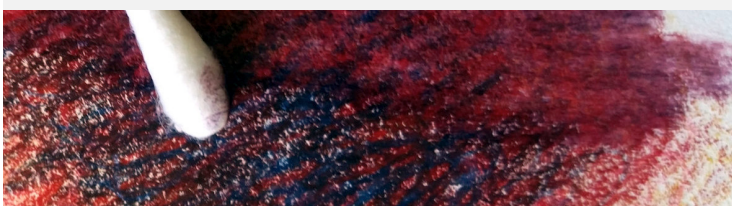
Crosshatching

- Lay down a layer of directional lines. Then, go over the same area with lines in the opposite direction.



Oil or Alcohol

- Use a cotton ball or cotton swab soaked in baby oil or rubbing alcohol to smear and blend colored pencil marks on paper.



Watercolor Wash

- Apply a watercolor wash on paper. Once dry, layer colored pencil over the top.

