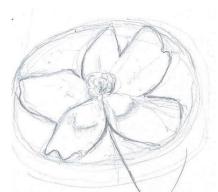


Drawing Spring Flowers

- Use simple shapes to help outline and block in the flower or object.
 - Get the angle or pose of the flower.
 - Mark the center. Everything meets in the center of the flower.

Check proportions and relationships with your pencil.

- Look at the angles from tip of one petal to tip of the next petal.
- And what you know. Be aware of foreshortening (petals that come toward you or away from you will look shorter than they actually are. Draw what you see not what you know.
- Look at the negative spaces between petals or leaves. It is easier to draw a shape that you do not have a name for.
- Look at relationships -where one petal touches another.



* Keep refining your drawing while still retaining the energy of the first sketch.

Choose the colors of your flower:

- o Choose a pencil that darkens that color- Test these choices on your study sheet.
 - o Pull off a petal and do a petal study.
- o Shade your flower lightly with that darker color to get form and to separate petals.
- Lightly build up your flower colors.

"Simplicity is the ultimate sophistication." ... Leonardo

