

## Backyard Environmental Art

*Land Art, Earth Art, Environmental Sculpture*

These are all terms that refer to a form of art that uses natural materials to make stunning visual displays.

Twigs, pebbles, sea-shells, leaves, moss, pinecones. These are not rare objects, but natural items we can find in our local environment.



### Simple steps for creating fun and visual environmental art

Wander your yard or neighborhood and gather natural materials. (Try to use non-living materials. Get permission before picking a flower or plant parts.)

- ❖ Look for a variety of different colors, textures (smooth, rough, scaled), and shapes (round, square, random).
- ❖ Arrange your materials. This could be a 3-dimensional shape or a 2-dimensional mosaic. Use your imagination!
- ❖ Depending on where your art is located, and what it is made of, you can leave it until wind or rain take it away.

