

# Painting At Providence

## **A. Live painting is an act of creativity.**

a. The act of creativity reminds us that we are made in the image of the Creator of the universe (Genesis 1:1) and we are created to worship (Psalms 63:1-4).

b. Watching a painting take shape evokes a sense of wonderment and curiosity, two necessary characteristics of a follower of Jesus.

## **B. God meets us in the act of creation.**

a. The Holy Spirit is our sole source of inspiration! He works not only through the artist to express each brush stroke, but also works through the audience to ascribe meaning to that colored canvas. We believe that God is present and speaking today, and performance art creates an opportunity to open the eyes of our hearts to Him. This is just as true with works of abstraction as well as of realism or metaphor.

## **C. Art can be Prophetic.**

a. The artist of faith has the ability to tell the story of God, and share the heart of God, through means beyond mere words (Ezekiel 4:1-2).

b. Prophetic art has been defined as, “revealing by divine inspiration, to reveal the will or message of God, to illuminate or bring revelation to a situation.” When we encourage artists of faith to express themselves in a service, we release a powerful prophetic stream that testifies of Jesus.

## **D. Live painting is an expression of faith.**

a. Live painting gives the visual artists in our church a venue for publicly expressing their faith through non-musical worship. We strongly believe that the non-verbal testimony of those who paint is as important as the verbal testimonies we share in our community.

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