**Pointillism Painting Assignment**

**What is Pointillism?**

Pointillism is an original form of art created by George Seurat. Pointillism is a bunch of tiny dots formed together to make a picture. When two colours are next to each other, your eye mixes them and that is called optical mixing. Using optical mixing instead of physically mixing intensifies the colour.

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*Sunday afternoon on the Island of Grande Jatte* by Seurat

**Technique:**



Application of two colours next to each other to create third colour.

Use of sticks, back of brushes as well as paintbrush.

Other examples:



BRIEF:

* Develop a composition using direct observation or a photograph. Using photography is not always suitable but in this assignment it makes a useful reference. Use a sea scape or landscape with trees.
* Develop the composition on the 9 X 5 inch board (prepared with white gesso or undercoat) -use landscape format.
* Using optical mixing create a painting using oil paint and medium.
* Create a colour contrast using complimentary colours.
* Complete for week 4