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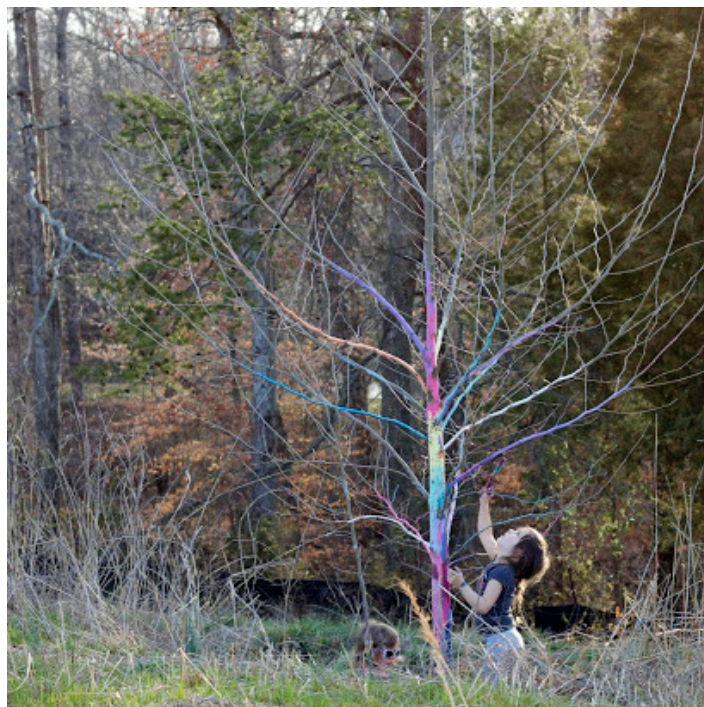
Rainbow Tree

OVERVIEW:

Winter is cold and the trees are often leafless. Have the children paint bare or lonely looking trees with chalk paint. This is sure to brighten anyone's day!

MATERIALS:

- Nontoxic Sidewalk Chalk
- Paintbrushes
- School yard or Trail
- Groups of 3 or 4 children
- A Tree of Choice for each group



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Ages: 5 - 11

Time: 45 - 60 minutes

PROCEDURE

- Step 1.** In the morning, soak sidewalk chalk in some bowls of water. You want to be able to make a paste like paint. So, do not use too much water, you do not want the chalk to turn out too watery.
- Step 2.** Head out to the school yard or down a trail in the afternoon.
- Step 4.** Split the children into groups of 3 or 4 and ask them to pick out a tree which might look a little bare or lonely.
- Step 5.** The children can now begin painting the tree with the chalk paint that you soaked in the morning. They can use paint brushes or just rub clumps of chalk that are still in the paint onto the tree.
- Step 6:** The end result should be beautiful rainbow coloured trees. The chalk will wash away with the rain and is nontoxic so it will not hurt the tree or the surrounding nature.