

# CHALLENGE: Landscape

## Exploring the Outdoors

Landscape photography captures nature and the outdoors in a way that brings your viewer into the scene. This type of photography lets us experience views we have never seen and dream of exploring new places. There are two main types of landscape photography. One is the traditional nature landscape of mountains, forests, oceans, and so much more. The other is urban landscapes which focuses more on man-made structural landscapes like in cities. Landscape photography conveys the appreciation of the world through the beautiful imagery of nature and allows us to share with our friends and family the magnificent places we have experienced.

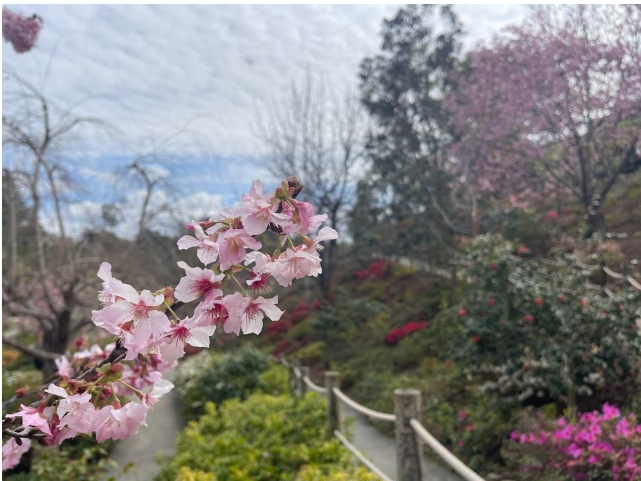
## MATERIALS

A device to take pictures with (Camera, smart phone, or tablet)

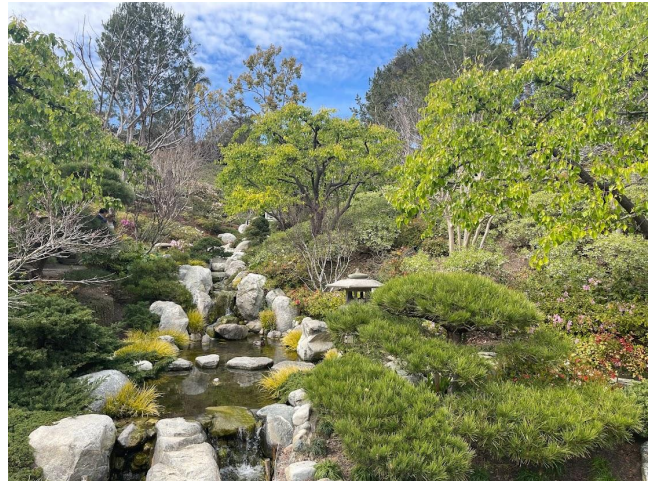
A beautiful space outdoors

An urban setting with man made structures

## EXAMPLES



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## STEPS

### Vocab

- **Landscape**- the visible features of an area of land, its landforms, and how they integrate with natural or man-made features, often considered in terms of their aesthetic appeal.
- **Long Shot**- is a view of a scene from a considerable distance and lets us get a full view of the location.
- Example: Rough, bumpy, smooth
- **Composition**- The way in which different elements of an artwork are combined or arranged.

## Elements of Art

- **Line**- Can be vertical, horizontal, curved or jagged. Examples: roads, sunsets, bridges
- **Color**- Using warm or cool colors to set a mood
- **Texture**- how a surface feels (rough, smooth, wet or dry, soft or hard)
- **Shape**- shapes are generally flat, two-dimensional objects that can be characterized by their recognizable shape (circle, square, star, figure). They can be geometric or organic.
- **Space**- Either negative or positive space can be used to make a statement

## Create

- One of the best things about landscape photography is the only supplies you need is your camera!
- You can step out into town, or travel to a new destination and photograph what you see
- Walk around your space and take in the nature and beauty you are looking at
- Start focusing on what you are gravitating towards and what parts you find the most interesting
- Then you can start taking your pictures and explore your surroundings

## Tips

- Make sure your horizon line is straight. We don't want the viewer to feel like they're tilting off the earth.
- Get back to basics and focus on the elements of art. Look for interesting patterns and lines happening naturally in your landscape, and find interesting textures to capture.
- Use elements in your scene to add depth by placing something in the foreground, middle ground and background.

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