



WEEK SEVEN
Chihuly
SATURDAY ART SCHOOL





This week in the art space, students were introduced to artist Dale Chihuly, a multifaceted artist who is most known for his glass blown sculptures and installations. The blown glass pieces come in neon and vibrant colors of all different shapes and sizes and are found in galleries, castles, botanical gardens and even bodies of water.

The students were able to learn about the artist and then venture to the Palmer Museum where several of Chihuly's smaller glass artworks are showcased.





With Chihuly as our inspiration, we created our own version of melted glass that will be attached to our chandelier sculpture/installation for the SAS Exhibition. The students decorated plastic cups and then watched the plastic warp, melt, and transform into unique shapes.



Every week the students continue to explore and create with new and old materials. The students create individual artworks while still working in collaboration with each other to make ornaments that will attach onto the chandelier.





While the plastic cups melted and morphed in the oven, we journeyed over to the woods to go on a light, shadow, and reflection hunt. Students were able to document their findings on the iPads.



As we explored, we also discovered natural installations in the woods. We related this to Dale Chihuly himself, who has numerous glass installations in natural environments, such as gardens, forests, and bodies of water.