## Speaking from the heART:

Art as a Communication Tool for Diverse Learners
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## Potential Activities to Explore:

Portraits (identify emotions)

Paint or draw to music

Picture stories/Comics

Mandalas

Collage (sensory)

Illustrate event (use favorite books to support)

Collaborate!

Art show

things to consider...

- Process, not product
- · Curiosity vs. judgement
- Simplify when necessary
- · Set the stage
- Displaying art

## Resources in the Colorado Area:

the-art-of-autism.com

**ADDitude: Therapies** 

Violet Hive Art Collective

**ACCESS Gallery** 

Beautiful Oops!

Peter H. Reynolds series

**Denver Art Museum** 

Art Students League of Denver

Art Garage

Think 360 Arts