



## Studio Sunday May 2018 Activity Kabuki Stage-Set Illustrations

Create a kabuki stage-set illustration, inspired by works in *The Loyal League: Images from Japan's Enduring Tale of Samurai Honor and Revenge* now on view at SBMA. Design and color kimono costumes and a stage, considering the seasons and time of day.



For this project, you will need:

- 47 Rōnin Story Illustration
- Watercolor paint
- Paintbrush
- Water

Let's begin!

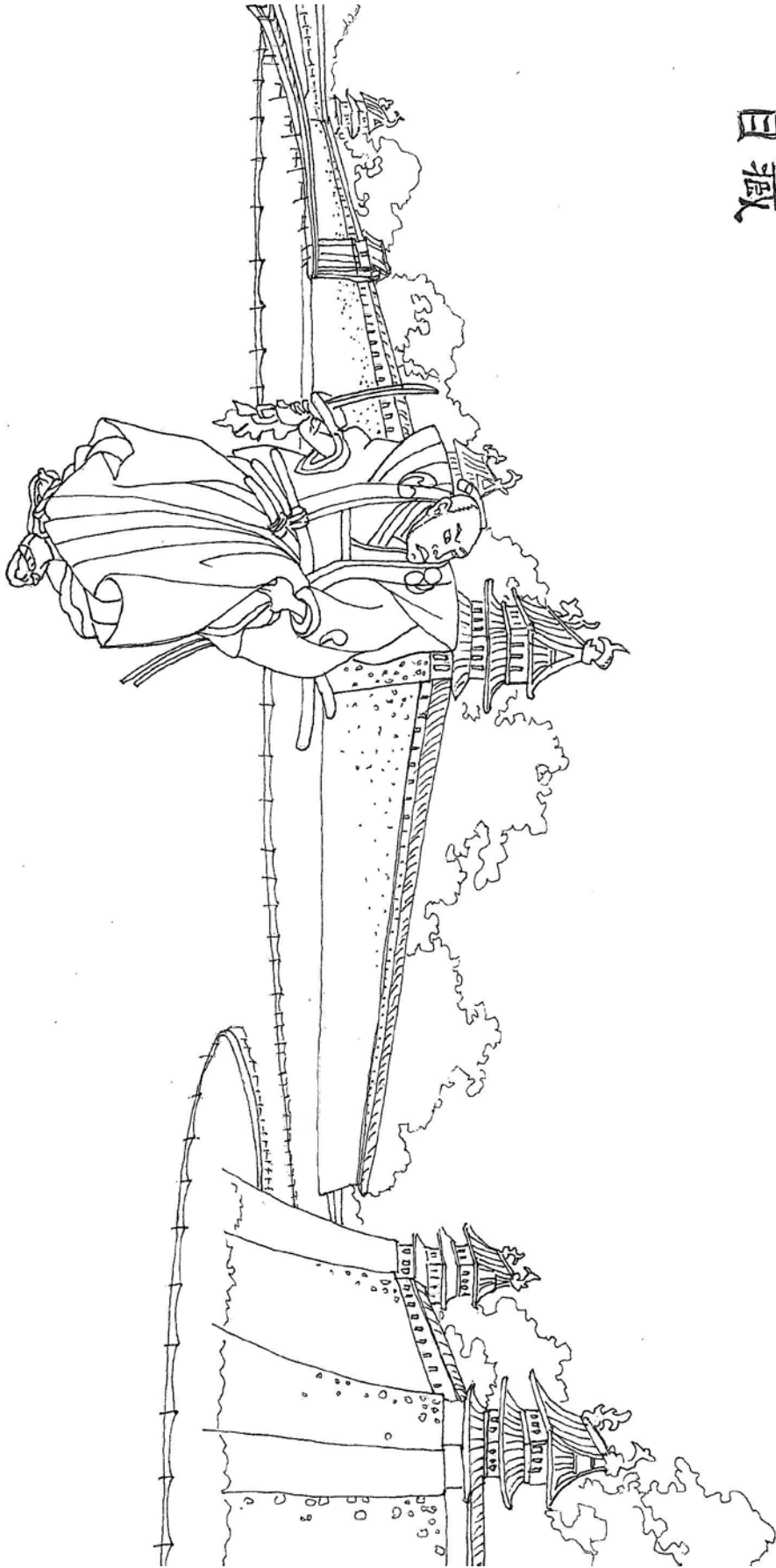
1. Choose an illustration of the 47 rōnin story to color with watercolors.
2. Think about the time of the day your story takes place.
3. Dilute the watercolor paint with water.
4. Color in your story with by section so that the watercolors don't blend.
5. Add layers of color as you like.
6. Let your story illustration dry.
7. Enjoy your work!

Tips & Tricks

- If you don't have watercolor paints at home, that's ok! Try coloring you illustration in with crayons, colored pencils, or markers.
- What time of day are you trying to depict in your illustration? Is it early morning? Evening? Maybe you want to try and color a sunset!
- Try coloring your illustration by section so that the watercolor paints don't bleed. If they do mix, that's ok! Can you make the blending of color part of your design?
- Try creating a series of illustrations portraying the rōnin story at all different times of day!



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