Lesson Plan Third Grade:

Black Bears of the Great Smoky Mountains

The artist will present students with photographs, drawings and sculptures of black bears. Attention is given to the animal's characteristics and its habitat. Students will learn the difference between realism as depicted by photographs and non-realistic as created by artists. Students discuss the difference between two dimensional art, drawing and three dimensional art, sculpture.

Artist will demonstrate simple ways to draw black bears.

Students will sketch and write comments about black bears in their art journals.

Artist will demonstrate how to make clay bears with either Model Magic clay of low fire clay.

Students will use clay tools and sculpt clay bears.

Students will have time to reflect and to write simple observations about their art experience and about black bears.

45 to 1 hour lesson

Tennessee State Standards: Grade 3

- 1.0 Media, Techniques, and Processes Students will understand and apply media, techniques, and processes.
- 2.0 Structures and Functions Students will use knowledge of structures and functions.