Inspired by Jess Barnett, *Transgression*

**Project: Homemade Paint**
Right away, the bold and colorful brushstrokes of paint Barnett uses in this piece jump out at you. Mix your own paint to create a painting inspired by *Transgression*.

**Key Terms:** Brushstroke, pigment

**DIRECTIONS:**

**Part 1: Mixing Paint**

**Option 1- Watercolor Paint:**
- **Materials:** Food coloring, 2 tbsp cornstarch and 3 tbsp white vinegar per color, plates or empty containers, spoons, plain paper (preferably something thick like watercolor paper or cardstock)
- **Directions:** Mix together 2 tbsp cornstarch and 3 tbsp white vinegar (per color), until smooth. Add in a few drops of food coloring. The more food coloring you use, the more pigmented, or colorful, your paint will be.

**Option 2- Sidewalk Paint:** If you can access a sidewalk or driveway at your home, try this recipe to create a larger scale painting your neighbors can enjoy, too!
- **Materials:** Cornstarch, water, food coloring, paintbrushes, bowls or empty containers, spoons
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**Directions:** Mix together 1 cup of cornstarch and one cup of water in a bowl or container, until smooth. Add a few drops of food coloring until you reach a color you like.

**Part 2: Painting**
Experiment with your paint to create different brushstrokes. Try using various sized brushes, overlapping colors, or applying different amounts of pressure with each stroke.

**Reflections:** What other art supplies can you try to make at home?