Oil Pastel
Wayne Thiebaud

Education Summary
Students learn how to borrow Wayne Thiebaud’s painting style by means of thick application of the media as well as layering, and learn to embrace American society and consumer culture. Thiebaud embodies the North American ideals within his artwork. Beginning in the 1950s and 1960s, society began embracing color television, state of the art ovens and refrigerators, etc. He also used ideals like bountiful kitchens and Freedom and Independence to enjoy leisure time with loved ones in his art work.

Activity Summary
Students will learn about the life and influences of the North American artist, Wayne Thiebaud. Students will imitate Thiebaud’s artistic style with oil pastels. Students will learn how to layer oil pastel colors in order to create a realistic representation of American pastries.

Objectives
After completing this lesson, students will be able to do the following:

- Show an understanding and awareness of tools introduced.
- Understand how to layer colors and what it bring to a art piece.

Materials

- Paper
- Oil Pastels (if not available then crayons)
- Pencils (for sketching)
- Erasers
- Images of Thiebaud’s pieces
Step by Step

1) Gather materials

2) Begin to sketch whatever food item you wish. This sketch should be simple.

3) Once you are happy with your sketch begin coloring it with oil pastels (or crayons)

4) Layer your colors (meaning draw on top of parts you already colored again to get a unique layered look)

5) Once you are happy with you piece, enjoy you art!