# BREAK: Art Tools Project

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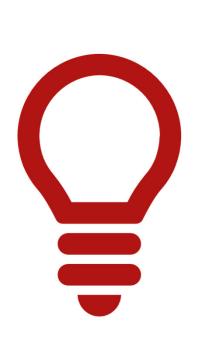
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#### **PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

- Work with Johnson County
  Developmental Supports (JCDS)
- Design, engineer, build and test an assistive device for an individual that is visually impaired to increase independence when painting
- Mechanical yet simple device
- Offer more independence for user



#### What is JCDS?

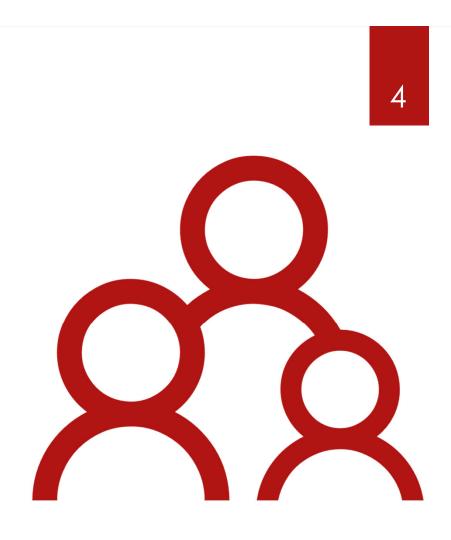
- Johnson County Developmental Supports
- Established in 1972
- Facilitates career and personal development
- Serves over 500 people daily



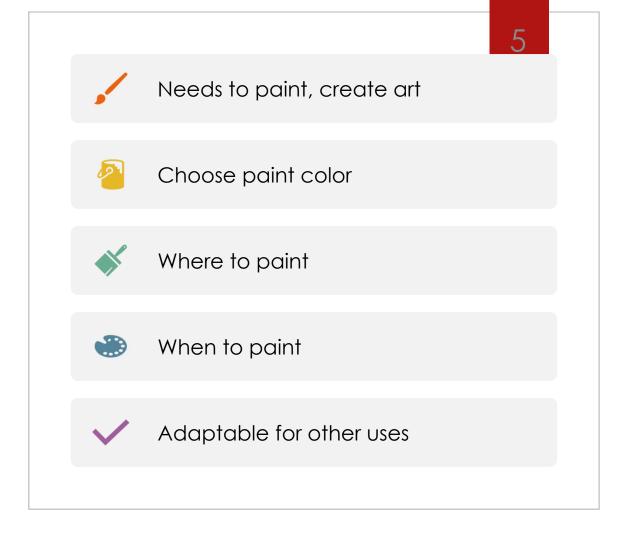
#### Meet Ryan

For team and sponsor use only

- ► Paints Occasionally
- ► Visually Impaired
- Chooses between 2 3 colors
- Uses a variety of brushes and rollers
- Typical session lasts 20-30 minutes



#### Needs and Wants



#### Early Research & Concepts

#### ► What is already out there?

 Textured handles to differentiate colors

#### Ideas

- Incorporating sounds
- Voice prompts
- Textured handles that can be used on other utensils or tools

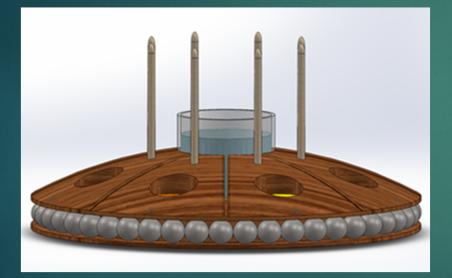


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Coleman, Mari and Elizabeth Cramer. "Creating Meaningful Art Experiences with Assistive Technology for Students with Physical, Visual, Severe, and Multiple Disabilities." 16 Nov. 2015. PDF.

### Early Concepts

> The Spinning Paint Wheel





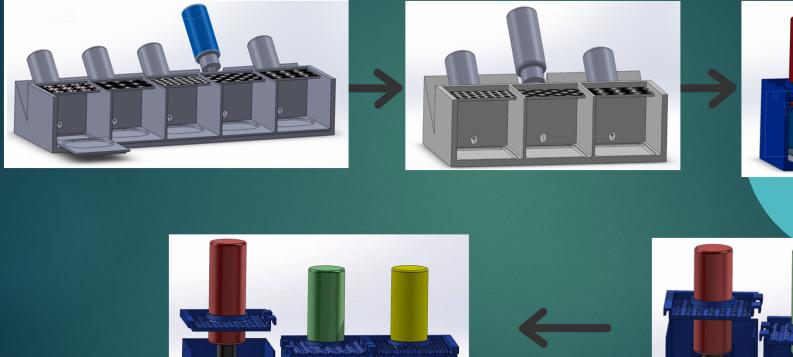


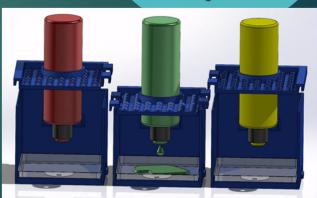
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Pressurized Paint Brushes

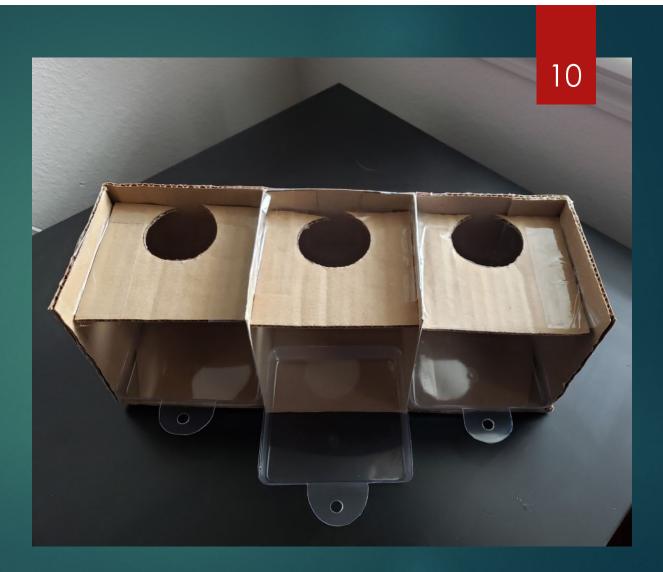
#### Roadmap to Final Idea



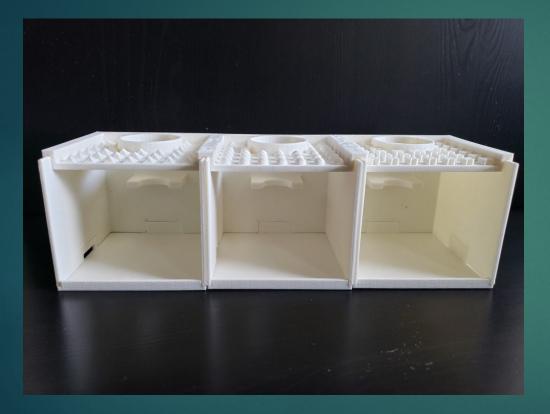


### 1<sup>st</sup> Prototype

- Constructed from cardboard
- Inexpensive design test



#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Prototype



- ▶ 3D print of Paint Caddy design
- ► Mojo Printer using ABS plastic
- Reduced 60% scale of full model

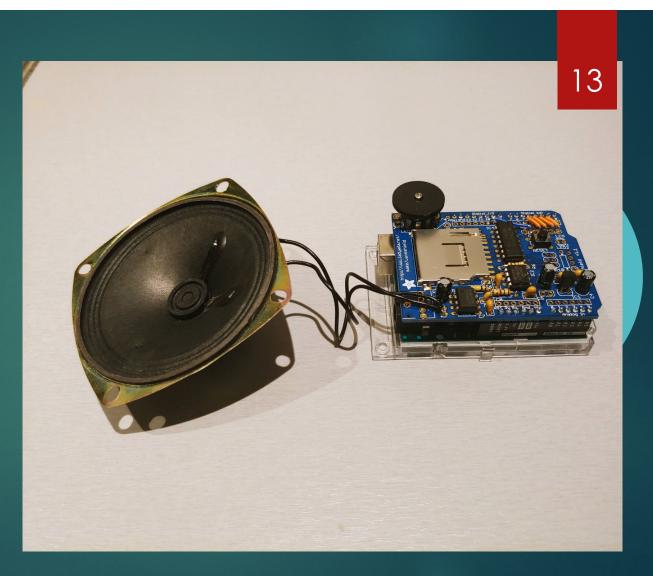
#### The Paint Caddy



- Walls and base made from Acrylic sheet
- Multiple textures for easy distinction of colors
- Textured tops printed on Objet30 Polyjet Printer
- Print material VeroClear

#### Sound Prompt Kit

- Write and upload code to Arduino Uno
- Powered by 9V Battery
- Delays and issues ensued
- Decided that a backup was needed





#### Final MP3 Player and Speaker

 Decided on a small SanDisk MP3 Player with a small speaker in the AUX input

- ▶ Pro: Use Same SD Card
- Pro: Rechargeable
- Con: Two devices to charge rather than one battery

#### Bill of Materials

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Item	Part Number	Description	Cost/Unit	Units	Shipping	Total Cost	Vendor	Notes
MP3 Player	SDMX26-008 G-G46K	SanDisk 8GB Clip Jam MP3 Player, Black - microSD card slot and FM Radio -	29.99	1		29.99	amazon.com	
Speaker		INTSUN Mini Portable						
USB Drive	175 SDCZ60-032 G-B35	Speaker SanDisk 32GB Cruzer Glide USB 2.0 Flash Drive	16.96 7.19	1			amazon.com amazon.com	
Multi-Purpose Squeeze Bottle Lid	3592801905	FIFO Innovations Multi-Purpose Squeeze Bottle Lids	9.99	1		9.99	webstaurantst ore.com	
Acrylic Sheet	5- ACR24X18X		14.14	1		14.14	Home Depot	
Gorilla Glue	52427453754 76621804867	3.75 oz Clear Gorilla Glue	7.97	1		7.97	Home Depot	
Acrylic Paint	7 766218O4861	8oz Apple Tart Paint	2.99	1		2.99	Michael's	
Acrylic Paint	5	8oz Bright Red Paint	2.99	1		2.99	Michael's	
Acrylic Paint	766218O4874 5	8oz Dark Blue Paint	2.99				Michael's	
Paint Tray	1050000000	Clear Square Paint Tray	1.99	3		5.97	Hobby Lobby	
Plastic Squeeze Bottle Lids	1056000020	Plastic Squeeze Bottle Lids	3.49	1		3.49	Hobby Lobby	
3D Printed Textured Tops		VeroClear Plastic Textured Tops		3			Objet30 PolyJet 3D Printer	
					Total	104.67		



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