

Haunted House Silhouette

What is a silhouette? A silhouette is the image of a person, animal, object or scene represented as a solid shape of a single color, usually black, its edges matching the outline of the subject. A silhouette usually occurs when an object is lit only from behind, emphasizing the overall shape of the object and eliminating any surface details.

Using silhouettes in art is a great way to emphasize the difference between positive shapes and negative shapes within a composition and create contrast.

Positive Space is the area inside of the main object.

Negative Space is the area outside or around the main object.

Contrast is the arrangement of opposite elements such as light and dark or big and small objects within a work of art.

To create a Haunted House Silhouette:

First draw an outline of a haunted house on black paper with a white colored pencil.



Reflect: What makes a haunted house look *haunted*?

Cut out the shape of the house and the inside of any windows and doors creating a silhouette.

Glue the silhouette on a foggy chalk pastel background.

Cut out a white circle representing the moon and glue in the background.

Add additional silhouettes of spooky objects such as bats, witches, etc in the sky.

Sign and hang your work!

