TREASURE TREES
Age: Seedling
Serviceberry
Tree Location ____

Materials:
- Glue
- Construction Paper
- Scissors
- Crayons
- “Trees” by Harry Behn
- Tell Me, Trees by Gail Gibbons

Activity:

* First observe the tree.
* Then draw the tree you are looking at.
* After you finish your drawing, read the poem “Trees” by Harry Behn. This poem will help you think about the tree’s environment, which is the place it lives.
* Look at your tree again. Is the tree alone? Are there other trees near it? Is it sunny or shady around the tree?
* Now use your senses (touch, smell, etc.) to get to know the tree better.

  Ex.) Does the tree smell? How does the bark feel?
* After you get to know the tree better, go back to your picture and draw things that you might have forgotten the first time.
* Glue on to your drawing things from the environment or things that make this tree special, like berries and sticks.
* Look to see if there are any animals near the tree or living in the tree. Draw the animals in your picture.
* When you are done you will have a picture of your tree, things that make it special, and its environment.
* Talk with an adult about how trees and their environments are important to the world.
* At home or school, read Tell Me, Tree by Gail Gibbons to learn more about trees, their environments and why they are important!

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