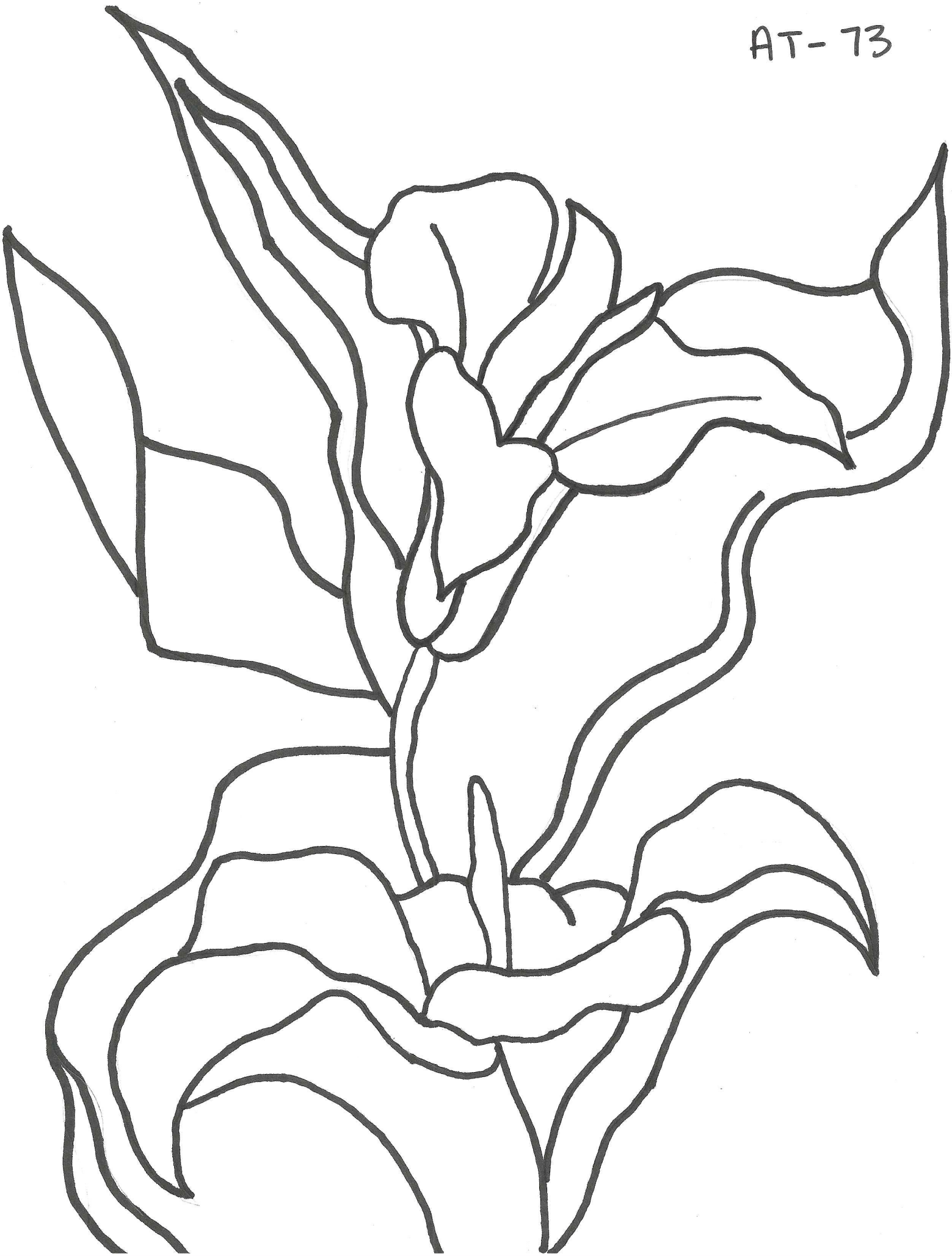


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Masterpiece Makers Summer Camp 2026

Project 2: Inspired O'Keefe Flower

9 x 12 Watercolor Paper with Black Sharpies





Georgia O'Keefe: She painted stunning close-ups of beautiful flowers. Her flower paintings made the petals and leaves into delicate abstract illustrations, meaning they looked like art inspired by flowers rather than simply copying them.

1. Tape watercolor paper down to a board.

2. Write your name on the tape with a **black Sharpie.**

3. Using a HB pencil, carefully draw the line-art. Don't think of the art as a flower, just focus on drawing one shape at a time.

4. **Trace over** all pencil lines with a **medium black Sharpie**.

5. Using **Watercolor:**
    a. **Leaves:** Begin painting the leaves using green and blue-green. Try to pay attention to where the colors are lighter and where they are darker.

b. **Flower petals:** Using a clean brush, paint a THIN layer of clean water onto the petals. Load the brush with a TINY bit of color (pink works). Touch the brush to the center of the flower and watch the color spread gently. It should be VERY light. If it is dark, use a paper towel or clean brush to soak up some color.
c. **Background:** Fill the background using warm colors: red, yellow, orange, pink. You can use wet paint on dry paper, or you can wet the paper with a clean paint brush and clean water then apply different color paint in different sections and let the colors blend!

6. Set aside to dry.