The **ViewCatcher**<sup>TM</sup> is a tool designed to be a view finder for artists, photographers, crafters and any other application where it might be needed.

# Thumbpull 0 11x14 0 0 9x12

Additional Sizes 8x10=16x20=32x40

8x12=16x24=32x48

9x12=18x24=36x48 11x14=22x28=44x56

12x16=24x32=48x64

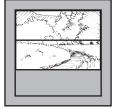
Size Adjustments

# **BASIC FEATURES**

- Made of durable ABS plastic.
- $\blacksquare$  Color is #5 neutral gray (1 = black and 10 = white).
- The opening is adjustable to fit any size format.
- The small hole in the center is helpful for judging warm and cool colors.
- The hole on the edge can be used to attach a lanyard so it can be worn.
- Some common sizes for projects are indicated on the front and back. Open the **ViewCatcher**<sup>TM</sup> to the size of your working surface.
- Helps you decide if you have a good composition and focal point.

### LANDSCAPE PAINTING

- Select your composition by looking through the ViewCatcher<sup>TM</sup> and moving it towards and away from the subject.
- Decide if the composition will be horizontal or vertical.
- Decide if the composition will fit one of the pre-selected sizes indicated.
- Use the **ViewCatcher**<sup>TM</sup> to determine the horizon line.
- Look for a good composition (Edgar Payne's Composition of Outdoor Painting might be a helpful reference).
- One can imagine dividing both the horizontal and vertical into thirds. Where the lines would intersect indicates good basic focal points in the composition. (See illustration on the left).



Horizontal line is below middle of the page

# STILL LIFE AND PORTRAIT PAINTING

- Open the **ViewCatcher**<sup>TM</sup> to the shape and size of your working surface.
- Use the ViewCatcher<sup>TM</sup> to determine if the composition will be horizontal or vertical.
- Look at the fit of the items in the frame of the view finder. This can help you determine if items need to be rearranged, added or eliminated.
- Look at the items in the composition using the **ViewCatcher**<sup>TM</sup> How do the objects relate to each other? Does one object overpower the others?
- One can imagine dividing both the horizontal and vertical into thirds. Where the lines would intersect indicates good basic focal points in the composition. (See illustration).



Focal point is at the lower right edge of pears

# **PHOTOGRAPHY**

- Use the **ViewCatcher**<sup>TM</sup> to set up the composition of a photograph before you set up your gear.
- Use the **ViewCatcher**<sup>TM</sup> to help determine if the composition should be vertical or horizontal; wide angle or close-up; which film size might be best.
- Use for determining focal points, horizon lines, contrast in values.
- The **ViewCatcher**<sup>TM</sup> can be used with photographs to determine the composition of a photograph you might want to use as a basis for a painting.



Adjust slider for 35mm or panoramic compositions.



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