Paint a Rock Mandala

Mandalas have radial symmetry, a balanced design starting from a central point.

Mandala is the Sanskrit word for circle. Today we will paint a mandala on a rock. Perhaps you already have a smooth rock or you can find one in your yard.
Paint a Mandala Rock

First, gather your supplies!

- A smooth rock
- Acrylic paint
- Pencil
- Paint brushes
- Anything you can use to make dots, like toothpicks or q tips
- Water
- Rag or paper towel

*If you don’t want to use acrylic paint, tempera paint will make a temporary, washable design
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To start, paint a dot in the center of your rock. I used a pencil eraser to make the larger dot and the tip to make the smaller dots.

Now, keep working outwards in a symmetrical pattern.
-Dip in paint each time you make a dot so they will each be the same size.
-Clean your brush or tools between colors and dry them on a towel before using in the next color.

*You can paint your rock a solid color first if you want, like on this black rock.