

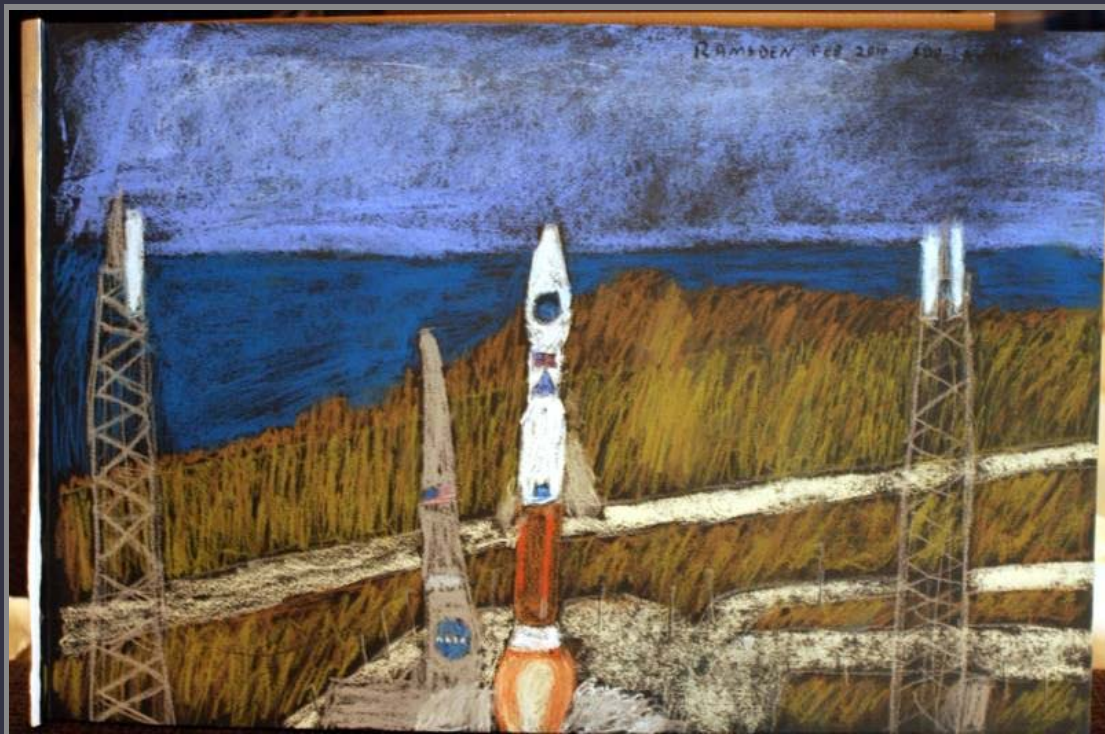
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NASA Solar Dynamics Observatory Launch

Sketch and Details by Stephen Ramsden

I know that this is a bit off the wall, but I got so inspired by the SDO going up safely that I decided to sketch it. Hope you like it.

NASA Solar Dynamics Observatory

Atlas V rocket

Cape Kennedy Space Center, FL USA

Feb 11th, 2010

This is colored Conte oil crayons, #2 pencils and a napkin for smudging on black Artagain recycled sketch paper. This sketch was my impression of several frames from the NASA launch video.

I was very thrilled when the SDO launched successfully. I cannot wait until data starts streaming into Goddard Space Flight Center from this, the first mission in NASA's living with a star program. Great timing too as we have seen such a dramatic uptick in Solar activity the last few weeks.

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On Feb 21 2010 @ 01:01, Frank McCabe said: |

Stephen,

This is an excellent oil crayon sketch, very colorful and interesting.

Frank 😊

On Feb 22 2010 @ 04:49, stephenramsden said: |

Thanks Frank! I aimed it at the kids in my usual audience through my Solar Outreach program in Atlanta.

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