



# The Fabric Workshop and Museum



## FWM @ Home Activity: Oil and Water Resists

### Materials:

- Cooking oil
- Small bowl
- Paper (watercolor paper works best)
- Watercolor paint or watered-down food coloring
- Various tools (brushes, Q-tips, eyedropper, cotton balls, turkey baster, etc.)
- Colored pencils

### Steps:

1. Pour cooking oil into a small bowl.
2. Use the various tools gathered to apply the oil onto sheets of paper.
3. Use watercolor paint or watered-down food coloring to paint over your oil to create resist images.
4. Look at your image. What story, place, and/or feeling does it inspire you to imagine?
5. Use colored pencils to draw the additional elements you imagine into your image.

### About FWM @ Home and the Quarantine Prints Series

FWM has a long history of challenging Artists-in-Residence and staff to use innovative materials, methods, and art-making practices. During the museum's spring 2020 closure as a result of the COVID-19 public health crisis, our education team considered the challenges art teachers and caregivers were facing and developed the Quarantine Prints series in response as an opportunity to explore and expand ideas of art making.

Each exercise can be adjusted to suit the age and abilities of students and/or family members. Use these projects to imagine new materials, tools, and possibilities in times of uncertainty and resourceful living. Visit our [website](#) for additional activities in the series, check out [FWM's YouTube channel](#) for how-to videos created by FWM staff, and share images of your results on social media using the hashtags #FWMatHome and #FabricWorkshop!