

The Fabric Workshop and Museum



FWM @ Home Activity: Stain, Stamp, Smear, Smush, Slice

Materials:

- Fruit (berries, mango, lemon, orange..)
- Food (peanut butter, Nutella, coffee, tea...)
- Paper
- *Cutting board and knife (please ask for adult assistance when using a sharp tool)

Steps:

- 1. Hunt for food items in your kitchen that have a rich color.
- 2. Experiment with slicing, stamping, smearing, and smushing each item onto scrap paper.
- 3. Once you discover the mark making potential of each item, consider how you might want to use all of these elements together to create your image.
- 4. Take out a clean sheet of paper and use your food elements again to create your stain, stamp, smear, smush, slice print.
- 5. Do you think that your artwork expresses a feeling or mood?
- 6. Smell your artwork. What does the smell remind you of?

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 <u>website</u> for additional activities in the series, check out <u>FWM's YouTube</u> <u>channel</u> for how-to videos created by FWM staff, and share images of your results on social media using the hashtags #FWMatHome and #FabricWorkshop!