



The Fabric Workshop and Museum



FWM @ Home Activity: Reflections of Spring Triptych

Materials:

- flowers, grasses, and leaves
- dark-colored paint
- brushes
- paper
- tinfoil
- tape
- glue
- permanent markers

Steps:

1. Take a walk around your neighborhood and collect various petals, leaves, and grasses.
2. Fold a piece of paper into three sections.
3. Use tape to arrange these items into an image or design within the middle section.
4. Cut pieces of tinfoil to fit the outer two sections of the paper and attach the tinfoil with glue.
5. Look at the reflection of your collaged image in the tinfoil sections.
6. Use paint or permanent marker to draw the reflection of your image onto one of the tinfoil sections.
7. Draw the negative shape surrounding your image on the other tinfoil section.
8. Stand your paper up so that you can view the sections reflecting onto one another.
9. Use paint or ink to paint your real flowers and leaves.
10. Use a sponge or brush to wet down another piece of paper.
11. Lay your damp paper on top and rub the back of the paper to make a print of your flowers to remember the season.

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!