

Hello Everyone and welcome to Second Sunday!

Let's make some art together today!

Drop in Studio is all about thinking like an artist.

Today we are going to create a collection collage. All collage begins with collecting. People have collections of all kinds of things but for this example we will collect pieces of paper to arrange and rearrange.

Artists use collage techniques in many ways. Sometimes a collage becomes a finished artwork that hangs in a museum and sometimes it is an quick and easy way to record visual ideas.

Why do Artists like to make Collages?

- The materials are easy to find and usually free.
- You can find what you need around the house: re-using things that may otherwise be considered trash such as magazines, junk mail, newspapers or paper labels from food cans and cereal boxes.
- To get started you will need:
 - Glue stick or tape – to hold paper pieces in place.
 - Cardboard or a sheet of paper to use as a base or background.
 - Scissors and discarded magazines, catalogs, newspapers, etc.

How do artworks capture our attention?

- Here's one tip...artists know about the *Elements of Art* and *Principles of Design* and keep them in mind when they are creating their artwork.
- You can do this too. By emphasizing one or two of these ideas your work will become more engaging.

Elements of Art: Color, shape, line and space.

Principles of Design: Pattern, balance, unity, proportion, emphasis, variety, movement, rhythm and repetition.

Step by Step Instructions

1. **Collect some images that grab your attention.**
2. **Cut out the images – notice you are now creating shapes.**
3. **Arrange** these shapes on the base according to color, size or similar shapes also think about the space between the pieces. Artists call this a composition.
4. **Glue** – to begin, use just a small amount of glue so that you can move and arrange your paper pieces.
5. **Keep collecting** – try a new collage idea every day.

Once you try collage you will see new ideas everywhere. Some artists make hundreds of collages. I am always inspired by Second Sunday artwork. Thank you for participating and sharing your creativity! **Have fun.**

Tip: Share your artwork on social media with #SecondSunday or by tagging us with @cantorarts.