

Mixed Media Collage and Photo Transfer Workshop
Tellico Village Art Guild
September 20, 2024 9:00am to 4:00pm

Collage is such a fun and versatile medium—the creative possibilities are endless! In this class you will construct your own unique mixed media pieces in two steps. First, you'll create an abstract collage, using a variety of papers, pencils, and acrylic paint. This will get the creative juices flowing by requiring you to think about color, shape, texture, composition and mark-making. Next, you'll learn how to transfer black & white images over the surface of your collages, using acrylic as the transfer medium. This step will transform your collage pieces into something truly personal and special. Come along and have some fun!

Supplies

All materials will be provided, including a variety of collage material. You are encouraged to also bring along any collage material that appeals to you, or that you would simply like to try out. This can be any type of paper (magazine papers, painted papers, tissue papers, text or images from old books, maps, etc., etc.).

I will bring some general black & white images for transferring onto your collages. You are welcome, however, to bring any images that might mean something more to you personally. Anything can be used (e.g., plants, symbols, trees, buildings, people, animals, abstract designs, etc.), but please keep the following tips in mind:

- Images should be HIGH CONTRAST black and white for optimum results.
- Images should be printed with a laser printer, or a copy machine that uses toner. If you do not have access to a laser printer, any place that makes copies (Staples, FedEx, UPS, Office Depot, etc.) can make them for you.
- Please keep in mind that all images will be in REVERSE when transferred. For example, if you are transferring a photo of a face, or a bit of text, it's a good idea to flip the image before it is printed to ensure that it transfers the right way up. Most photo editing programs (or even the basic photo editing function on an iPhone) can do this: choose "Flip Horizontal" before printing.

I suggest you bring along an apron or something to protect your clothing. Acrylic is unforgiving if you get it on your clothes! We will have a short lunch break, so please bring your lunch along, too.