



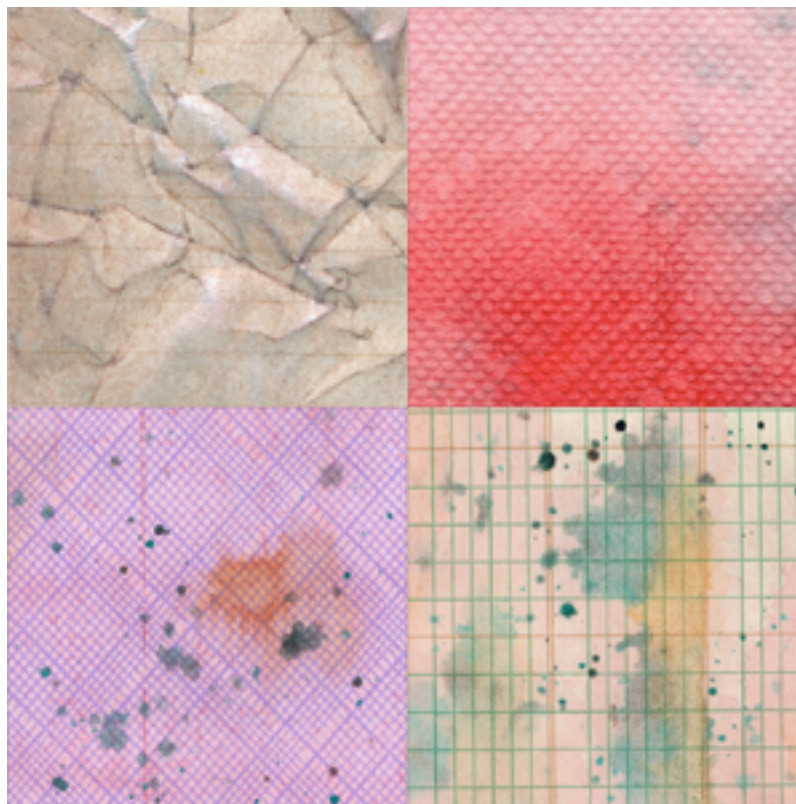
Fairy Tale #6



Cinderella

Hi and welcome to the mixed-media lesson of Fairy Tale #6 — Collage!

Let's Begin!



Assignment #1

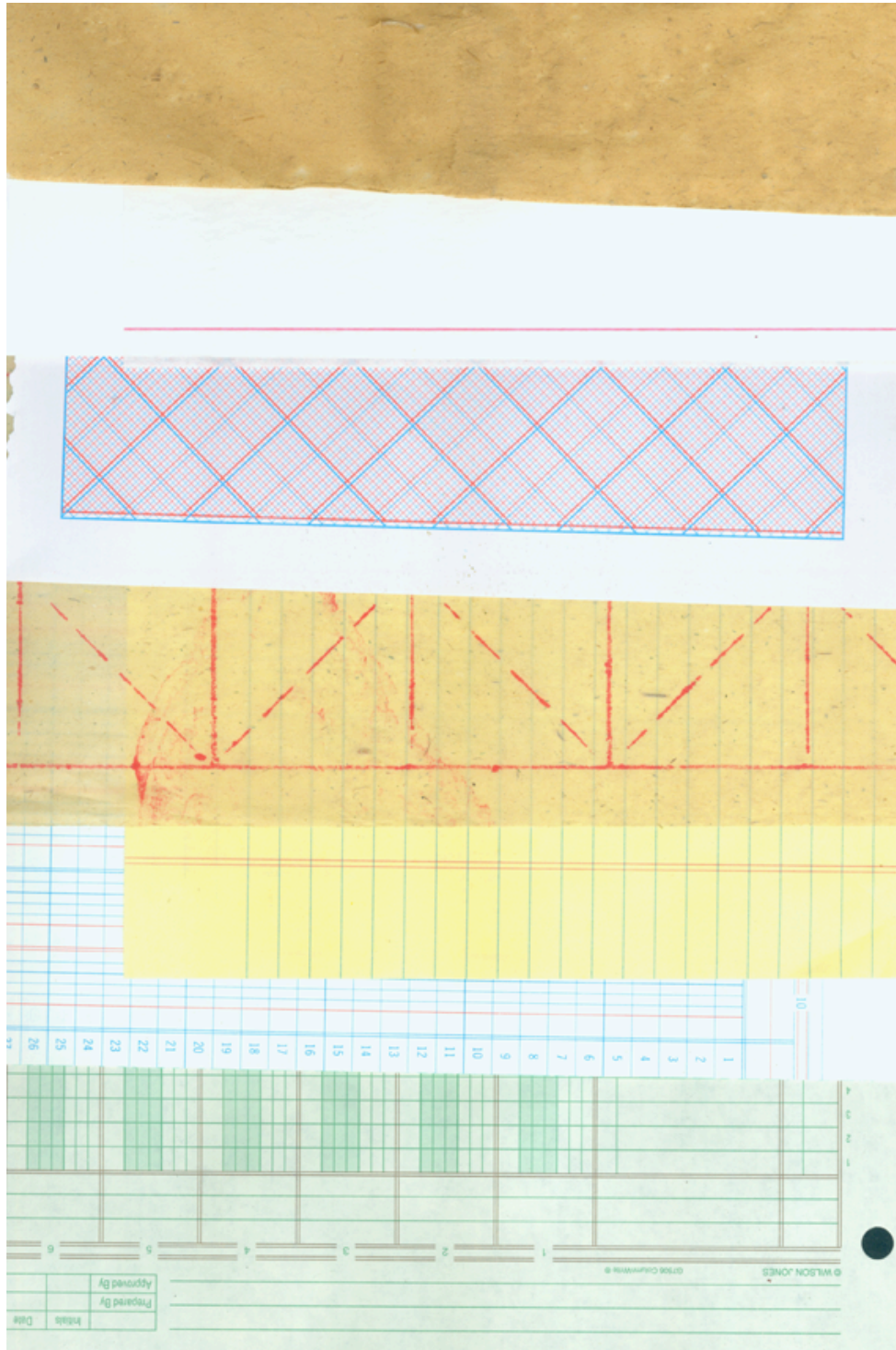
Making Collage Papers

We are working in collage this month, but first I wanted to give you a few ways to alter papers so that your collage fodder is more unique, more “yours.”

Supplies Needed

- as many “thin” papers as you can find. This includes office paper, old ledger paper, security envelopes, notebook pages, paper towels, tissue paper, graph paper — anything that is “flimsy.”
- one-ply toilet paper
- glue stick
- watercolors, large flat brush, w/c paper
- scissors
- lace, fabric
- .005 Micron pen (or similar)

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Gather a selection of thin papers



Making Collage Papers:

TECHNIQUE #1

Watercolor on Thin Paper

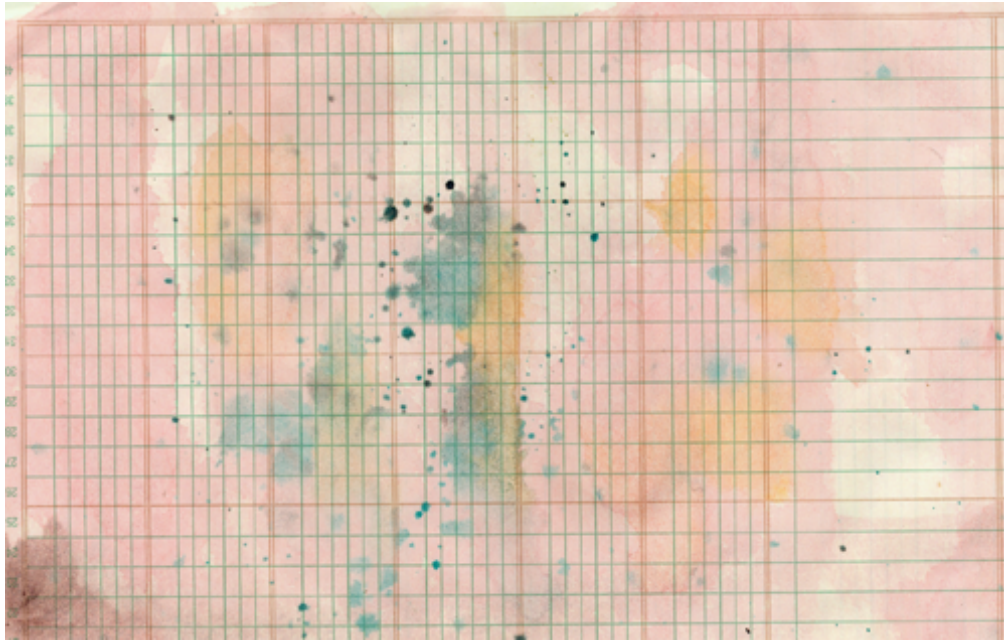
Using watercolors and a large brush, begin playing! Your papers will crinkle and curl when drying... don't worry, when we take these to our collages later, you will "glue them straight." Add washes of transparent colors, splatter the paint, and crinkle the paper for different effects.

Your watercolors will likely pale when dry, so it's okay to bump up the color on these!

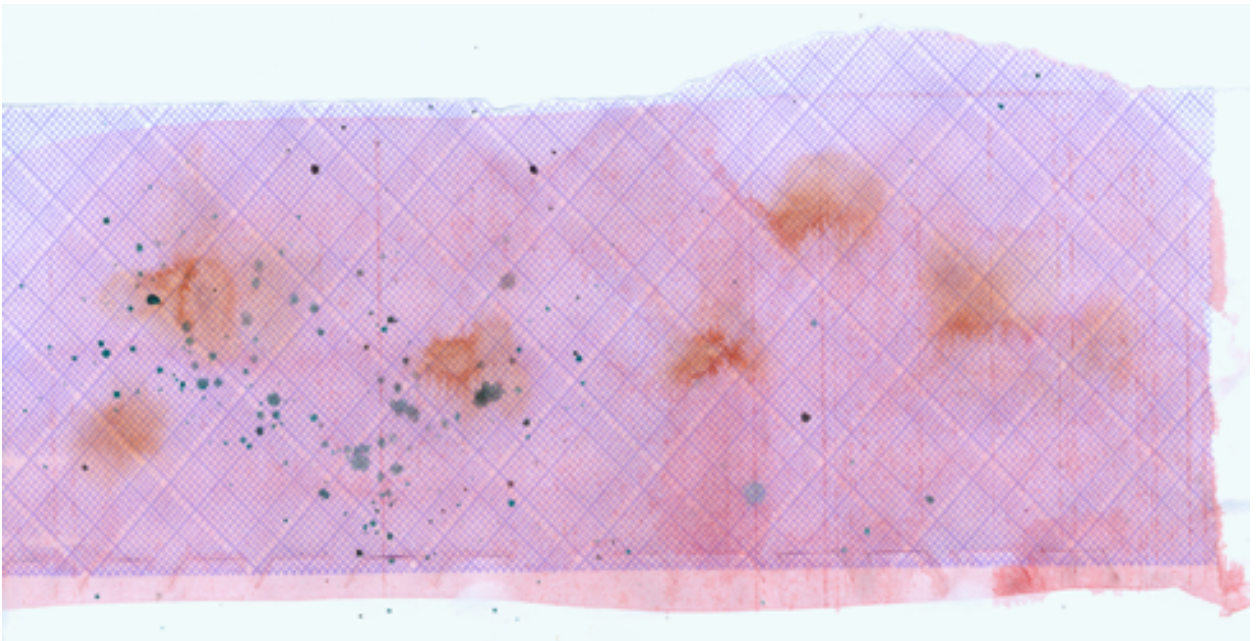


Crinkle the paper!

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Splatter the paint!





Making Collage Papers:

TECHNIQUE #2

Watercolor on Toilet Paper

Find a flat, non-stick surface (such as a plastic palette) and mix a color of watercolor. Use lots of water and lots of pigment, especially if you like bright colors (as the watercolor tends to fade when dry).

Lay the dry toilet paper into the puddle and let it dry for several hours.

Then, peel!



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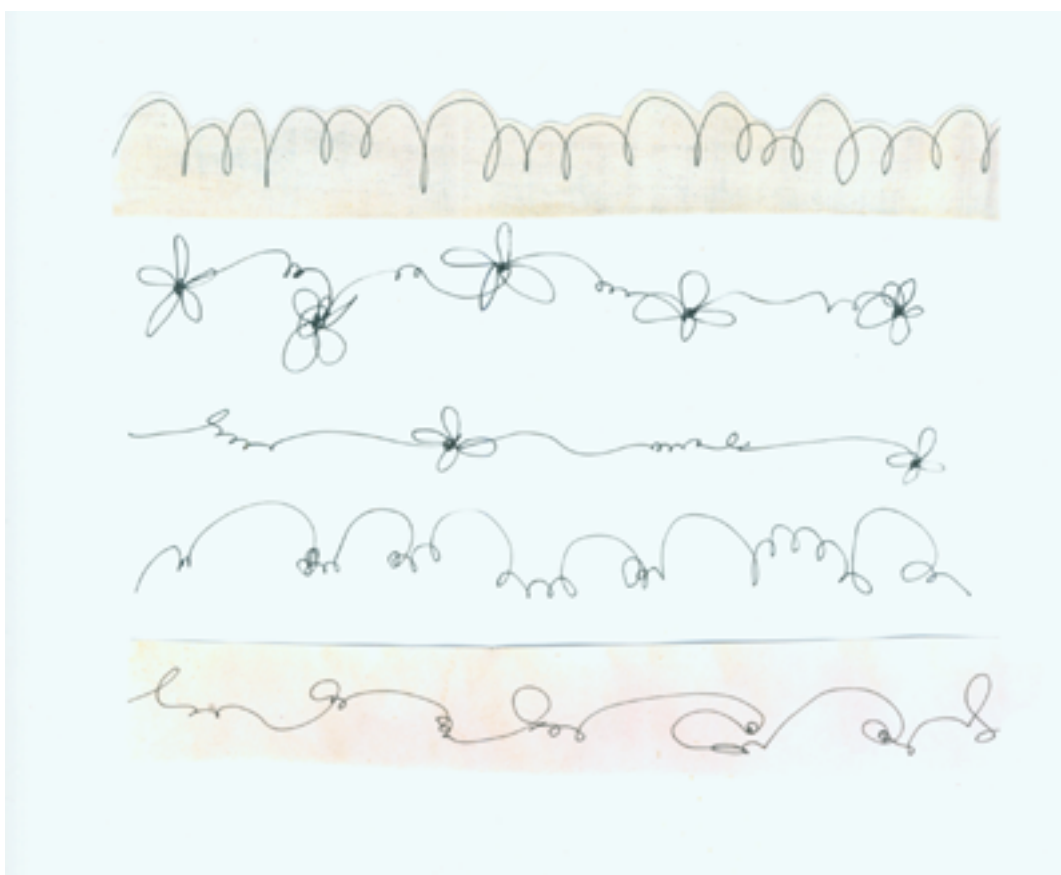


Making Collage Papers:

TECHNIQUE #3

Draw Patterns and Borders

Using computer paper and a permanent pen (such as a Micron felt tip, a ballpoint pen, etc.) create your own lacy borders to use in your collages. Then, tint them with watercolor if desired.





Making Collage Papers:

TECHNIQUE #4

Sanding Magazine Pages

Use 50 grit sandpaper and add texture to pages from a magazine. The sandpaper ages and obscures the image just enough that it becomes an interesting texture (rather than “drapes,” for example).





Making Collage Papers:

TECHNIQUE #5

Photocopying Lace, Fabric & Your Artwork

Finally, go to the thrift store (or your linen closet) and photocopy different laces, fabrics, etc. Also, go to your art files... are there any old prints or drawings or paintings that would make nice textures for collage? Photocopy (or scan and print) in color or b/w.



So those are five ways you can make your collage papers more uniquely yours. Now get ready to make some collages!



Assignment #2

Collage Cinderella Iconic Images



Create 6-16 collages of different icons from the Cinderella story!



Your assignment this month is to create a series of collage illustrations in any size/format you wish. If it sounds fun to you, try focusing just on the iconic images from Cinderella. Here are a few to get you started:

glass slipper

crown (for prince)

pumpkin

wand (for Fairy Godmother)

castle

dresses

fireplace

broom

carriage

mice

Extra Credit

If you have extra time this month, consider creating a 16-page book in a square format and send it in and have a children's board book made! Here is a place in the United States where you can get it printed:

<http://www.pintsizeproductions.com/>

Have a wonderful time with your glue and scissors!