

CREATE WITH THE COLUMBUS MUSEUM

Magazine Collage



INSPIRED BY

Romare Bearden, *Madeline Jones' Wonderful Garden*, 1977

Romare Bearden is recognized as one of the most creative and original visual artists of the twentieth century. He experimented with many different mediums and artistic styles, but is best known for his richly textured collages. A collage is a type of art that combines multiple pieces of paper together using glue. Bearden combined images cut from magazines with things he drew or painted to make this collage. This collage is an example of a landscape, meaning that it depicts a physical location.



DIRECTIONS

1. Gather your supplies – you will need magazines, paper, glue, scissors, and other drawing or painting tools of your choice.
2. Decide what kind of landscape you want to create. It could be a garden like our inspiration artwork or anything else you can dream up!
3. Once you have decided kind of landscape to make, start looking through your magazines to find images you can use. Like Bearden, you can cut out small details, like individual flowers and leaves.
4. Draw or paint other objects that you want to include in your landscape.
5. Carefully cut out your images, drawings, and paintings.
6. Start arranging your landscape but don't glue yet! You will want to experiment with the placement of each object until you get it just right.
7. When you are happy with your layout, carefully start gluing things in place.
8. Keep cutting, drawing, painting, and gluing until you are happy with your landscape.
9. Display your finished collage!

