ARTMAKING PROJECT | Mosaic!

A mosaic is a picture made by arranging many small pieces of a material like tile, glass or stone. The DIA houses many mosaics, from the 4th Century Roman Fish to Romare Bearden’s *Quilting Time* (1986).

Think about what you can gather around your house to make a mosaic. Pebbles, pennies, bottle caps, beads? You can also make your own tiles!

**MATERIALS**

- Cardboard for the background
- A pencil, scissors, glue
- Tiles or any other small objects
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**Step 1**
Gather your pieces or create them. Cut up a cereal box, or a sheet of paper that you’ve filled with paint. Even tearing construction paper for pieces will work.

**Step 2**
Lightly sketch out your plan. What will you make? Consider using your tiles to create an animal, a portrait, or even just a decorative pattern.

**Step 3**
Start to arrange your pieces, and when you decide on a design, glue them to your background. This project is a great way to slow down and consider how we use color and make a unique piece of art.

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