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Free Art Workshop: Cherry Blossom Origami Collage

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Artwork Sample by Rea Lynn de Guzman

DESCRIPTION

Learn how to make various flower paper origamis, in light of the Northern California's Cherry Blossom Festival. This workshop is inspired by the spring season and the Annual Flores de Mayo Celebration, hosted by YBCA's community partner SOMA Pilipinas, in the heart of the Filipino Heritage District.

MATERIALS

Origami paper, scissors, gluesticks, glue, cardstock, construction paper, pencil



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QUESTIONS TO CONSIDER

- What inspiration can you pull from environments where we find flowers?
- How can you create an outside world to complement these florals?

STEPS

1. Make as many cherry blossom origami flowers as you'd like. Varying sizes are encouraged.
2. Arrange your origami flowers in the background and think about your layout.
3. Cut out shapes to go on your background. For example, cut out shapes of leaves with different sizes.
4. Glue the pieces on your background.
5. Glue down your origami flowers. Make sure to use glue lightly in order to keep the dimensional component of your flowers.

REFLECTION

Consider the following questions in completion of your origami collage:

- What kind of world did you create for your origami to bloom?
- In what ways can our environment allow us to blossom?