Pearl at Home

Art projects designed for suggested ages of 5 and up, designed to be completed at home with easily-accessible art materials.

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MATeRIAlS

- Paper:
  - Background: 4 pieces of construction paper or cardstock
  - Top layers: 4 pieces of 6” square construction paper, or if available, thinner paper such as origami paper (can be solid color or prints)
- Scissors
- Pencil
- White or clear glue, or glue stick
- Patterns (print our provided patterns, or draw your own)

ABOUT THE PROJECT

A Hawaiian quilt is a distinctive quilting style of the Hawaiian Islands that uses large radially symmetric appliqué patterns. Designs often include stylized botanical designs in bold colors on a contrasting background. Instead of fabric, we’ll use different colors of paper to create our own Hawaiian Quilt-inspired project!

DIRECTIONS

REPEAT STEPS 1-5 FOR EACH OF YOUR 4 PIECES OF 6” TOP LAYER PAPER:

1. Fold your paper in half
2. Fold your paper in half again
3. Fold your paper corner to corner to get a triangle
4 Apply a pattern to your triangle. You can cut and trace one of the patterns provided in this packet, OR draw your own. The long edge of your pattern should align with the single-fold side of your triangle (see diagram).

Once your pattern is drawn on your triangle, keep your triangle folded as you cut along the lines. Unfold the paper to see the whole design. If you make a mistake, just try again!

5 Choose a piece of construction paper or cardstock for your background, and cut it into a 6” square. Then use glue or a glue stick to mount your cut-out pattern onto the background square. Once you’ve completed this for all 4 pieces, you can arrange your “quilt blocks” into a larger “quilt”!

TEMPLATES

You can use one, or several, of the following six patterns for your project.

- To use, print out the patterns on either regular paper or cardstock.
- Use scissors to cut out the patterns along the black lines (the patterns are the white areas outlined in black).
- Then trace the pattern onto your folded triangle, paying close attention to the alignment directions alongside each pattern. For the patterns to come out as one piece, it is VERY important to place it on the folded triangle as written.