

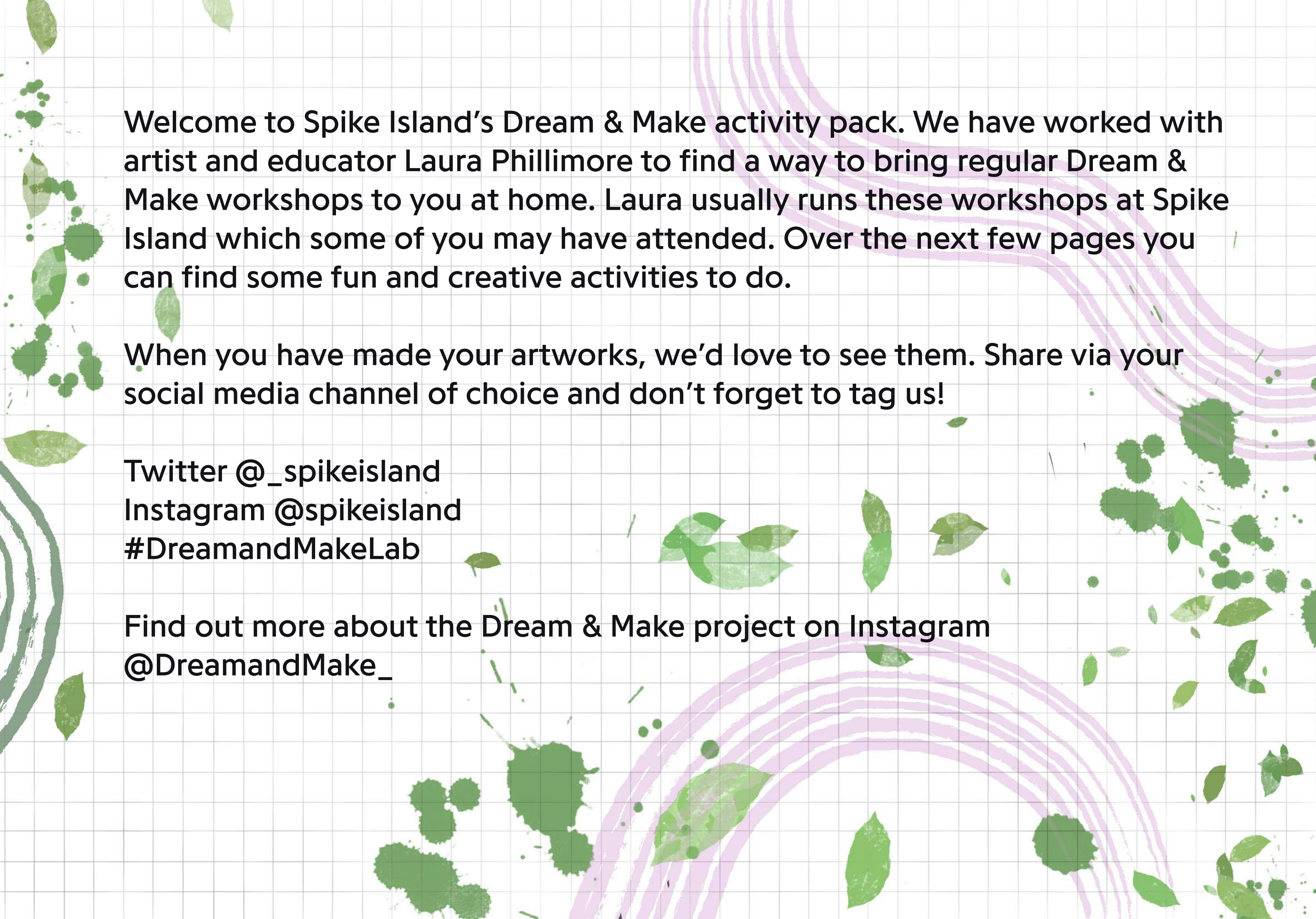


# Dream & Make

Ideas for young artists

Spike Island





Welcome to Spike Island's Dream & Make activity pack. We have worked with artist and educator Laura Phillimore to find a way to bring regular Dream & Make workshops to you at home. Laura usually runs these workshops at Spike Island which some of you may have attended. Over the next few pages you can find some fun and creative activities to do.

When you have made your artworks, we'd love to see them. Share via your social media channel of choice and don't forget to tag us!

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Find out more about the Dream & Make project on Instagram  
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In this Dream & Make Activity pack we are getting outdoors and looking at nature to inspire us.

You will collect, construct and create your own print making tools and brushes from natural and everyday materials and explore ways to make your own amazing art work.

Explore your local park or gardens and see what natural materials you can find, look at your surroundings more closely...

You will be amazed at what you can find.

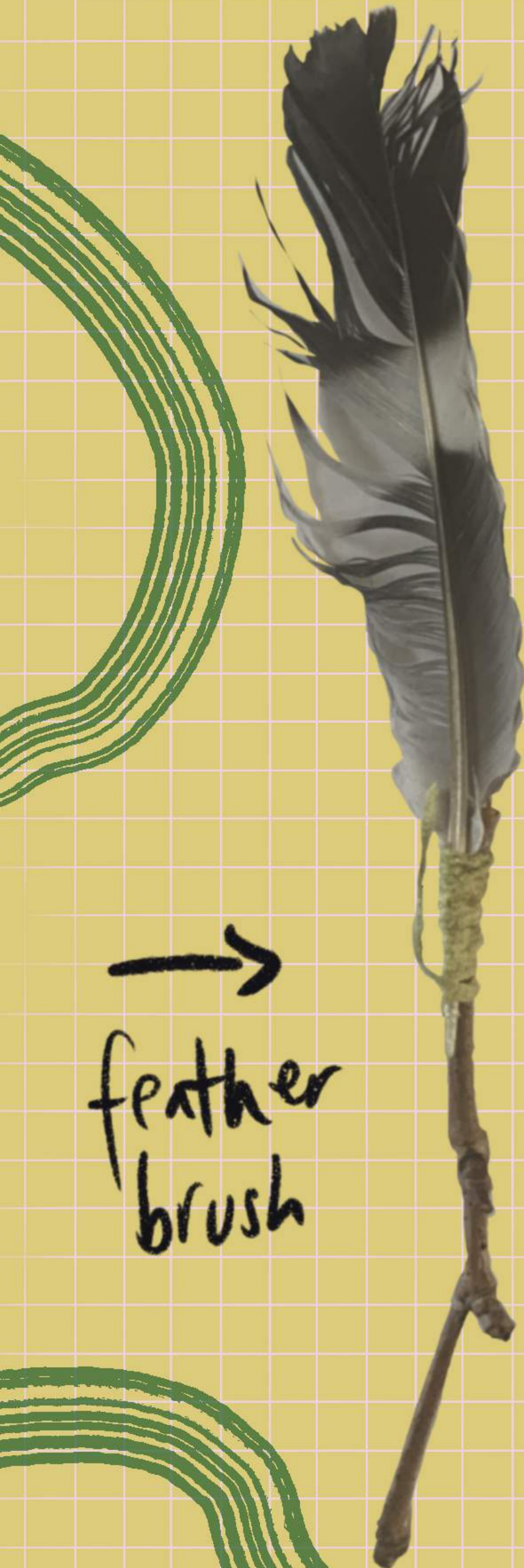


Collect  
Construct  
Create





# Create your own mark making tools with natural materials



→  
feather  
brush

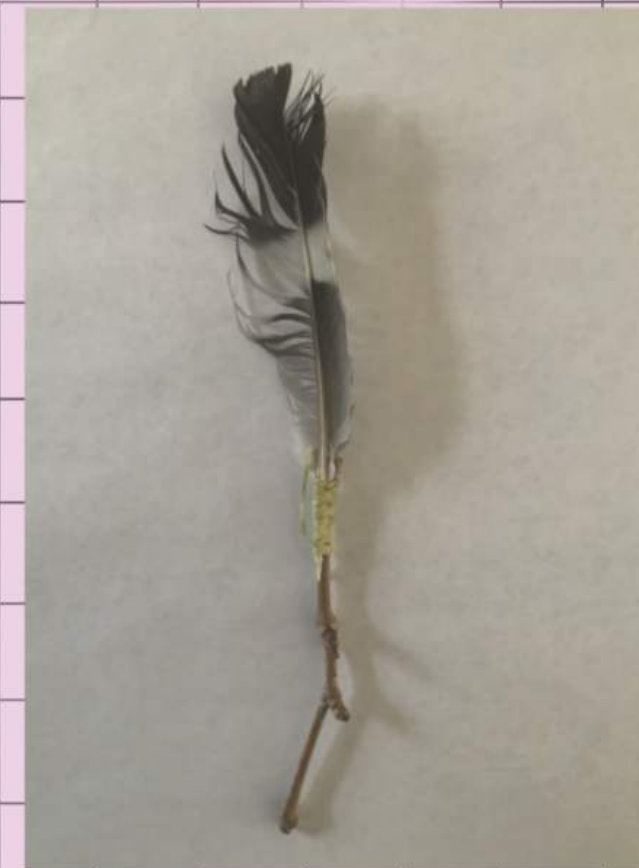
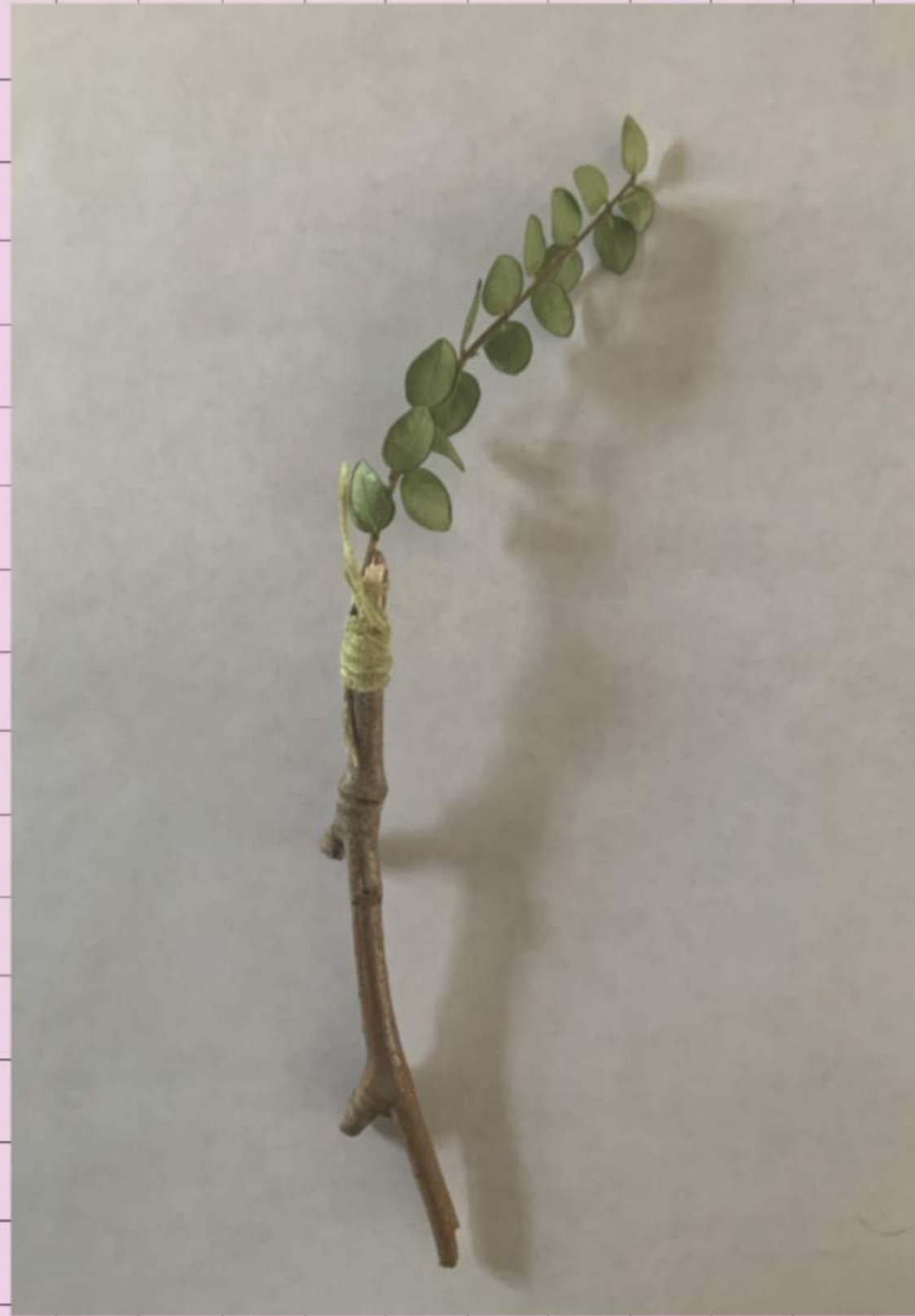


You will need

- twigs
- other natural materials  
ie leaves, bark, feathers
- String or thread



Carefully wind the thread round the twig and materials and secure with a knot



You are now ready to start printing



# Experiment



\* We used black  
poster paint,  
but you could  
use dry paint, ink  
or even some  
water + mud.

HAVE FUN!





# Explore

Experiment with different plants, try  
using herbs so that your tools smell  
good too ...

this is a great sensory activity for  
mini artists under 4

Curry  
plant

Sage



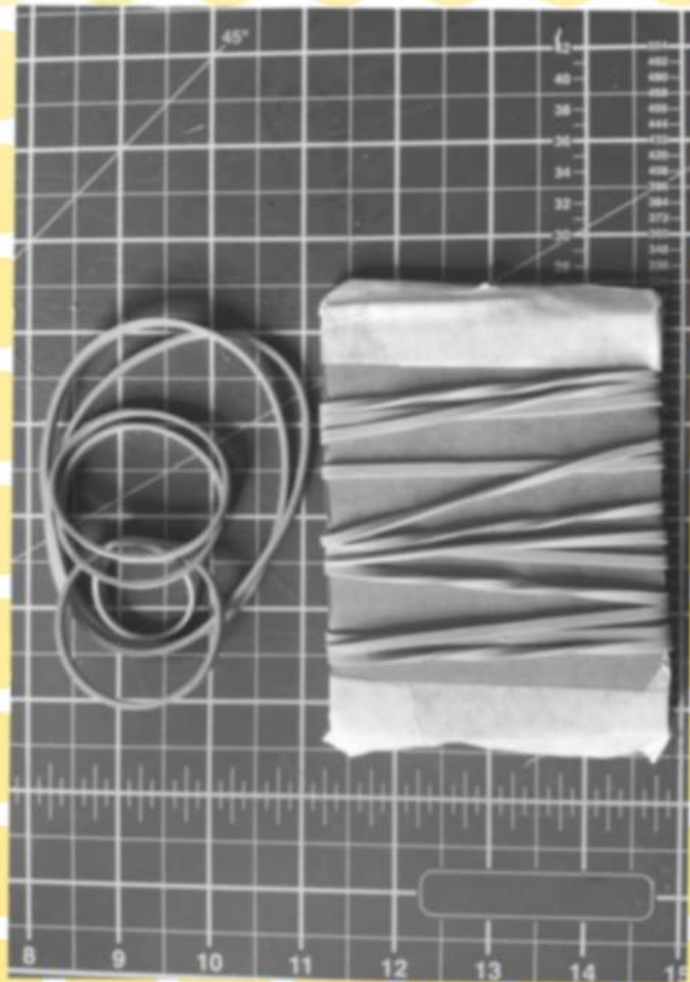
Create tools with everyday materials...



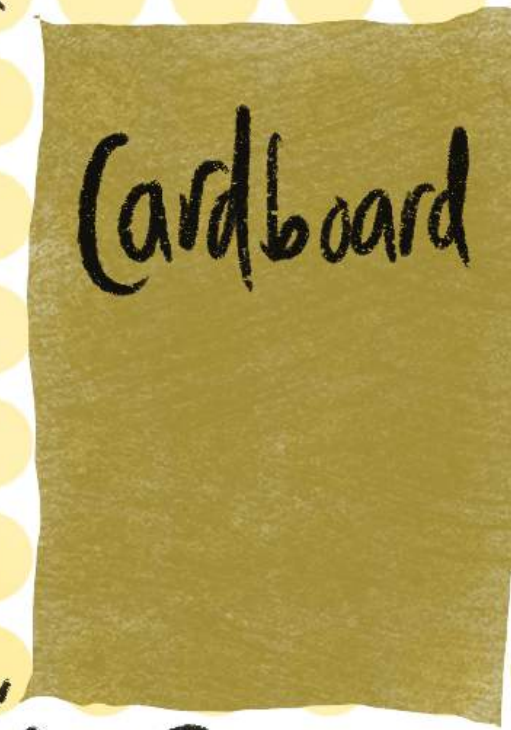
\*Clothes pegs are great for younger artists



# Create a simple printmaking stamp



Approx. 12cm



+



Carefully cut out and stick together the two pieces of cardboard...

9cm

...then add a strip of masking tape at each end. This acts as a handle when printing and a guide for where to put the paint.

You will need:

- Cardboard
- Masking tape (not essential)
- glue stick or PVA
- scissors
- Ruler
- pencil
- elastic bands



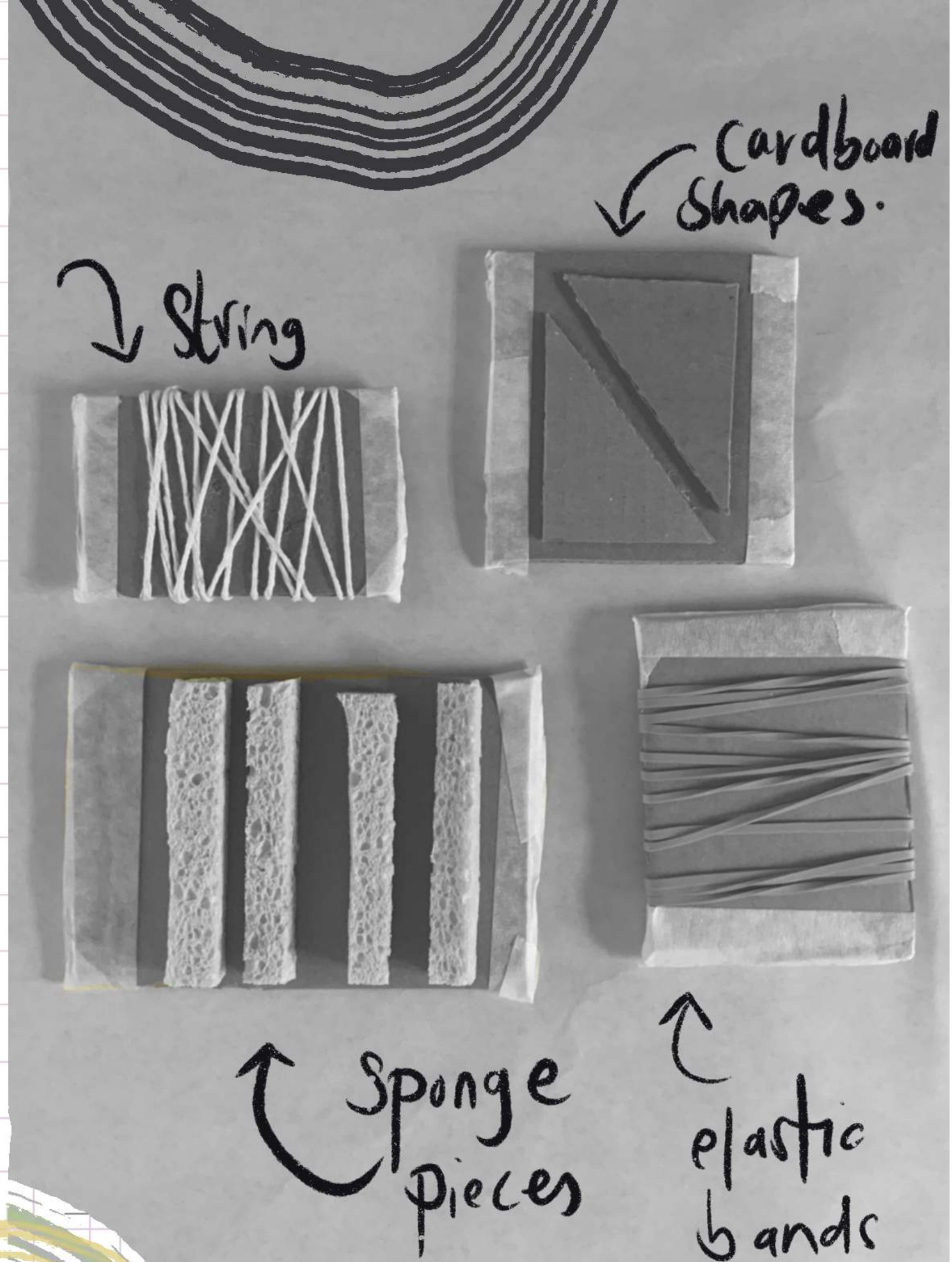
...leave to dry.

Add glue to the front of the stamp (avoiding the masking tape) to secure the elastic bands in place or other material you may use...

You are now ready to start printing!



# Play with different materials...



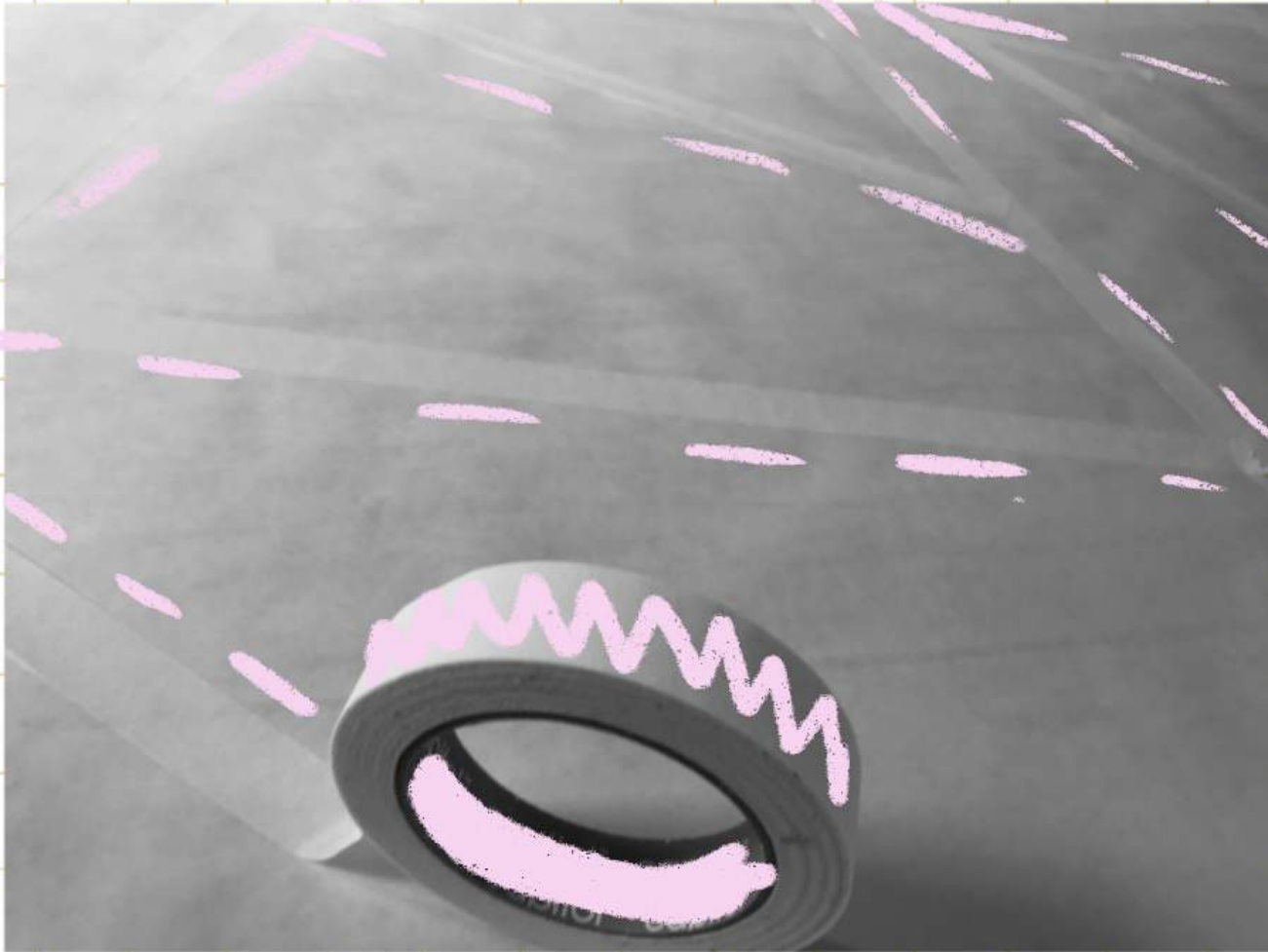


and different kinds  
of paper...





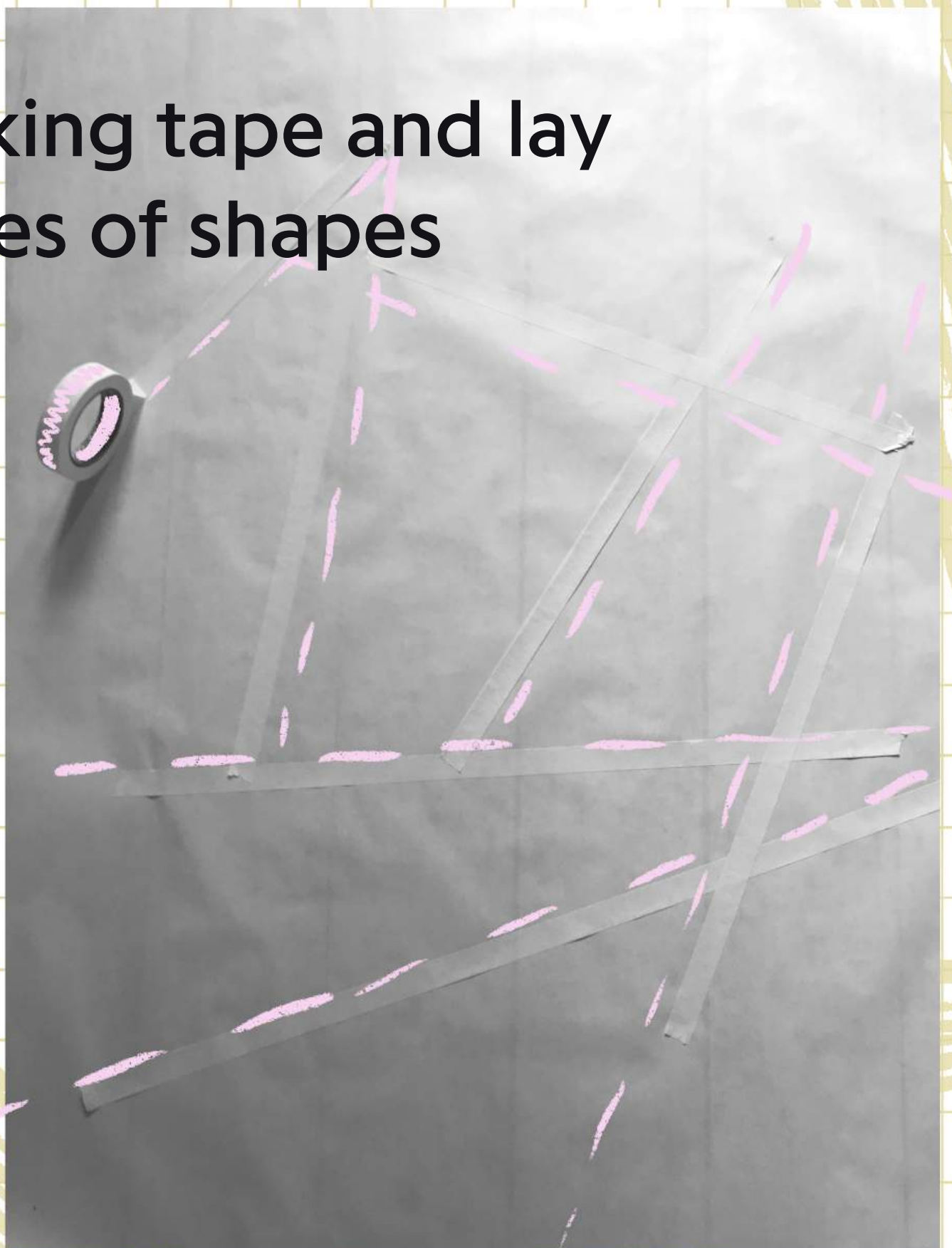
# Create an abstract print using tape



On your biggest  
piece of paper...

..draw with masking tape and lay  
down a series of shapes

Think  
bigger!





**Begin printing into the shapes  
using your stamps and  
brushes...**



**...experiment with natural and  
man made materials together.**



Display as a big piece of art...



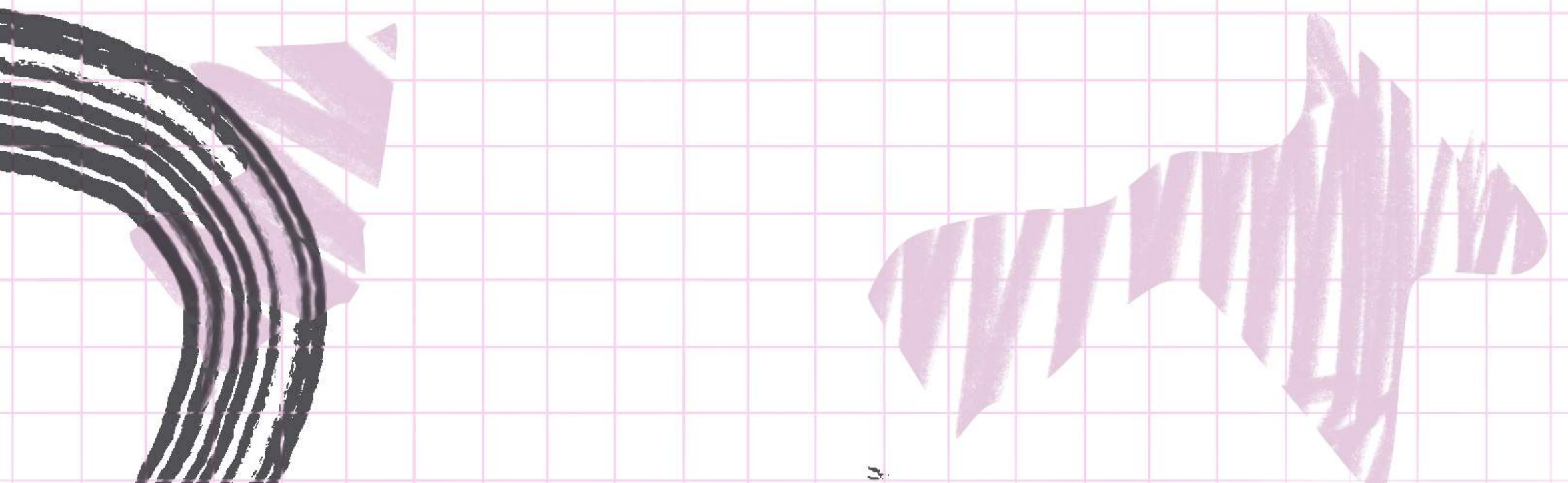
Or...



The top half of the image features three horizontal strips of paper with abstract black ink markings, resembling a collage or printmaking experiment. The word "Collage" is overlaid in a large, dark grey, sans-serif font.

# Collage

**Make a collage using the off  
cuts from your printing  
experiments...**







PLAY

and have  
fun!

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