Dark-field Monotype

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In this resource you will find out how to create a dark-field monotype. A dark-field monotype consists of covering a printing plate with ink and then drawing into the ink using mark making tools. This activity is a great exploration of mark making and also using light and dark to create form. Try it with children 8 and up!



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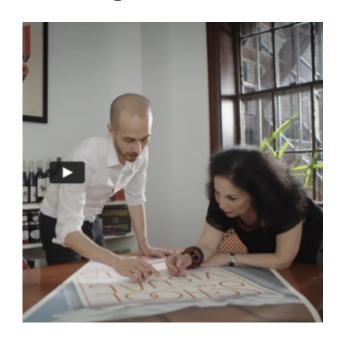


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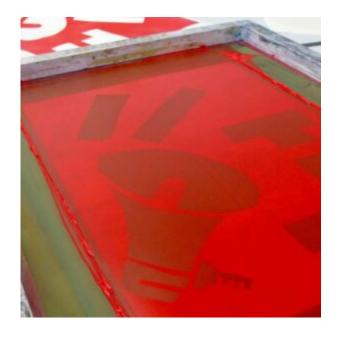
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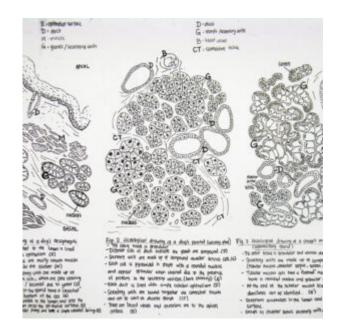
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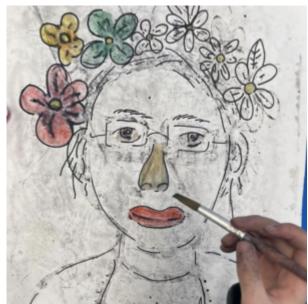
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