Dark-Field Monotype: Masking

By Tobi Meuwissen

This post will shows you how to create a dark-field monotype using the masking method to create really light areas. This is an exciting way to explore form through light and dark. It can be combined with lots of mark making into the ink as well to make dynamic and exciting print. This activity can be done with ages 8 and up.



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