

# How to Make Collagraph Prints with Cardboard



## Materials:

- Flat piece of cardboard the size of a piece of paper
- Extra cardboard for cutting out shapes
- Scissors
- Glue
- Wide paintbrush
- Tempera (washable) or acrylic paint
- White paper

## Steps:

1. Cut out shapes from your extra cardboard.
2. Arrange cardboard shapes on the flat piece of cardboard.
3. Glue down shapes onto the cardboard and let dry.
4. Use your chosen paint colors to paint all over the raised parts of the cardboard.
5. Paint should not be too thick, but the cardboard will absorb some of it, so you will need to use a lot.
6. Place the white paper on top of the painted cardboard.
7. Flip it over so the paper is on the table and press all over.
8. Peel off the paper to see your design.

## What is a Collagraph?

A collagraph is an additive printmaking method where the printing surface is built up. It is created by gluing various materials and textures to a support surface.

## Collagraph in Sheldon's Collection



Glen Alps  
*Revolving Involving Sphere*  
Date unknown  
Collagraph

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