

CHALLENGE: Exploration

Collage

Exploration is a fun theme that can be interpreted in so many ways. You can recreate your favorite travel experiences, explore your identity, imagine new landscapes, and so much more! I think one of the coolest ways to bring an idea to life is through collage. A Collage combines different photos and materials to create an artwork with a new message.

MATERIALS

A device to take pictures with (Camera, smart phone, or tablet)

Collage Materials: magazines, newspapers, photographs, glue, scissors, markers, paint, etc

EXAMPLES



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STEPS

Vocab

- **Collage**- Combine different photos/materials to create an artwork with a new message.
- **Texture**- the way an object feels to the touch or looks as it may feel.
- Example: Rough, bumpy, smooth
- **Composition**- The way in which different elements of an artwork are combined or arranged.

Elements of Art

- **Line-** Can be vertical, horizontal, curved or jagged. Examples: roads, sunsets, bridges
- **Color-** Using warm or cool colors to set a mood
- **Texture-** how a surface feels (rough, smooth, wet or dry, soft or hard)
- **Shape-** shapes are generally flat, two-dimensional objects that can be characterized by their recognizable shape (circle, square, star, figure). They can be geometric or organic.
- **Space-** Either negative or positive space can be used to make a statement

Create

- Exploration can be interpreted in many ways! It could be in the context of exploring the world, outer space, the oceans, and even oneself.
- Brainstorm what exploration means to you and pick a theme to create a collage
- Start with gluing down the background of your collage
- Then add your subject on top
- Collage combines many different materials together to create the artwork, remember to add some of your own photographs to make it your own.

Tips

- Cutting vs ripping
 - Cutting with scissors leaves a clean line and can make nice shapes
 - Ripping will leave rough edges and will have a more organic feel
- Gluing techniques
 - Make sure you glue all the way to the edges
 - Use a scrap piece of paper to glue on so you do not get unwanted glue on your collage
- Layer! Adding multiple layers makes your collage have texture and will make it more visually interesting

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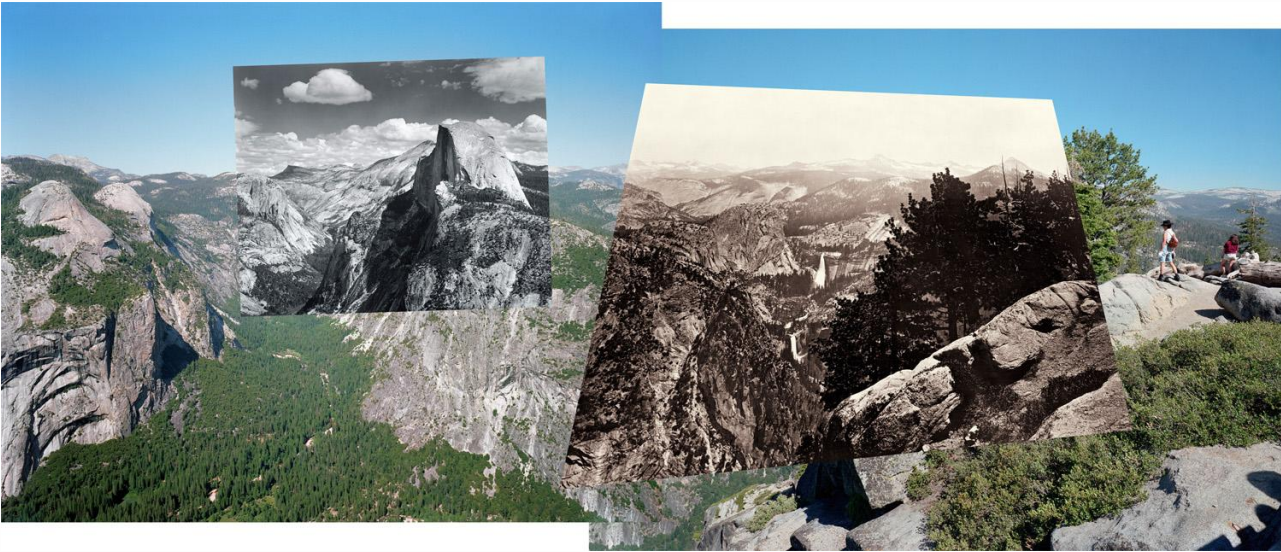
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Photographers Inspired by Exploration:

Photographer: Mark Klett

Project: Rephotographic survey Project

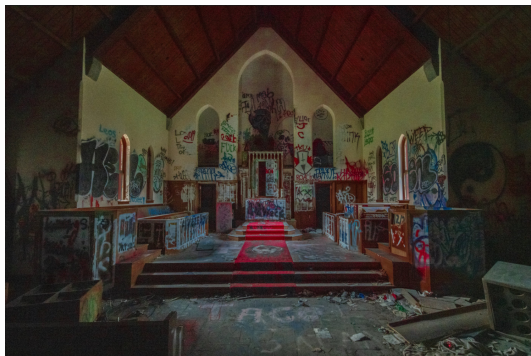
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Photographer: Jason Lanier

Project: Urban Exploration

Website: <http://www.jasonlanier.com/urban-exploration>



Photographer: Michael Najjar

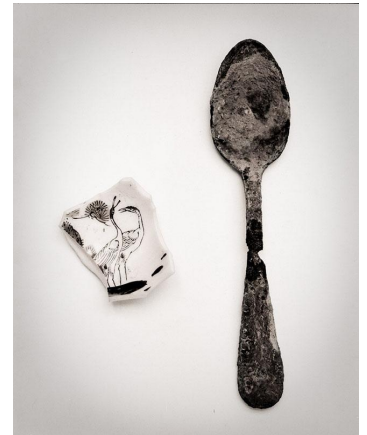
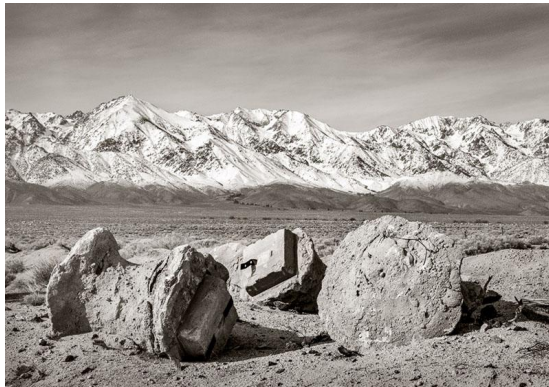
Project: Outer Space

Website: <https://www.michaelnajjar.com/artworks/outer-space>



Photographer: Joan Myers
Project: Whispered Silences

Website: http://www.joanmyers.com/whispered/whispered_b.html



Photographer: Catherine Wagner
Project: Morphology

Website: <http://www.catherinewagner.org/morphology>



Photographer: Jim Naughten
Project: Mountains of Kong

Website: <https://jimnaughten.com/mountains-of-kong/>

