

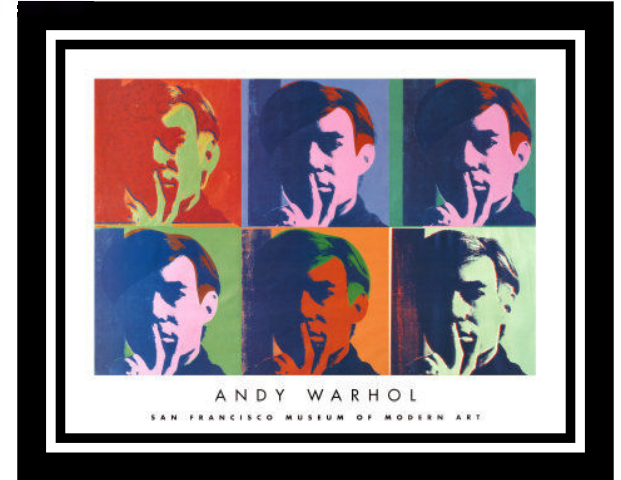
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Meet the Artist

MIXED MEDIA





Joseph Cornell

What is Mixed Media?



The use of two or more art materials in an artwork

A piece of art that has been created with both paint and colored pencils is an example of a "mixed media" work.



A piece of art can also be created with ink, chalk, crayon, fabric, metal or many other materials.



What is a Collage?

Collage came from the French word “*coller*”, which means “*to glue*”. A collage is an artwork made by gluing things together, such as:

- **String**
- **Fabric**
- **Newspaper**
- **Photos**
- **Cardboard**
- **Bits of paintings**
- **Tissue or wrapping paper,**
- **Shells**

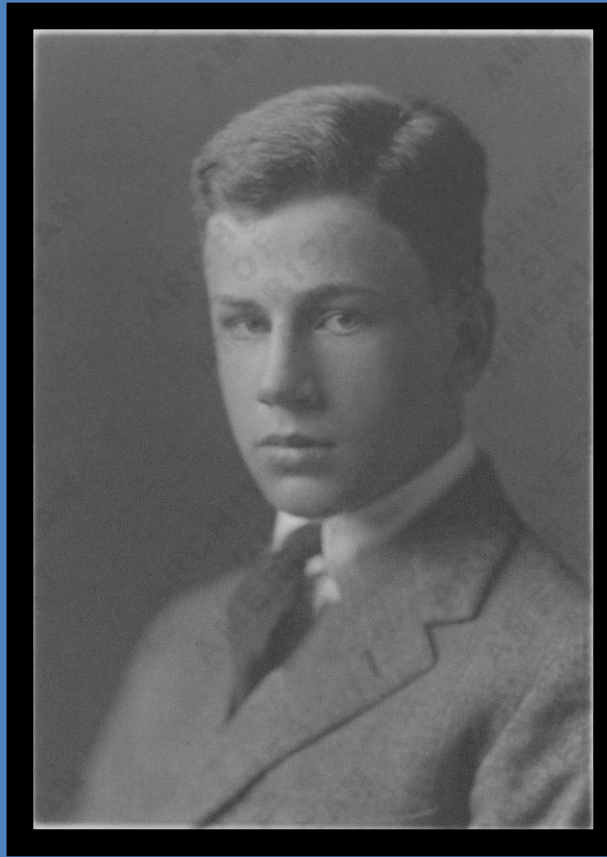


- **Feathers**
- **Stones**
- **and even Broken Bits of Toys.**





Let's Meet the Artist

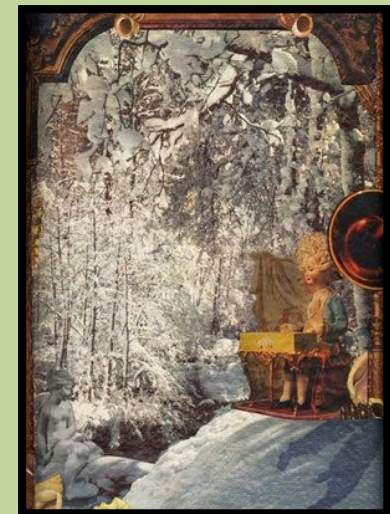
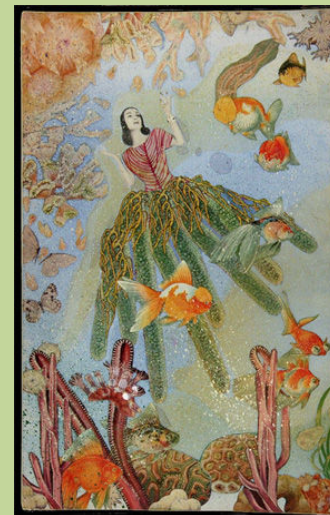
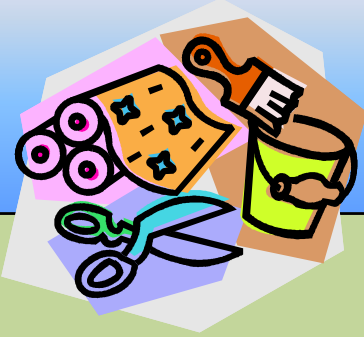


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Collage Box

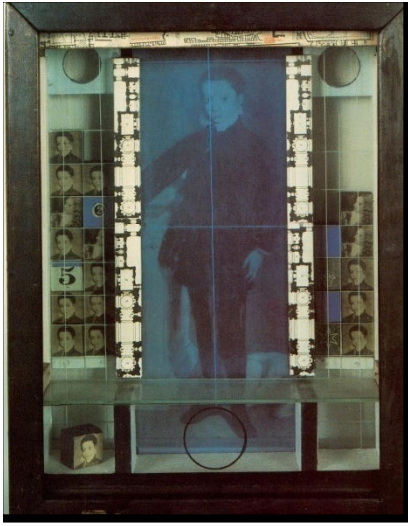


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Collage Box



He glued objects, maps, pictures and photos into these collage boxes.



Cornell did not travel much, but he used his imagination to make trips around the world.

Joseph Cornell Collage Box



Joseph Cornell grew up in Nyack, New York in a grand house with two sisters and a brother.



Joseph Cornell standing on the far right.



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Collage Box



Many evenings his family listened to music on their victrola, played piano, or read books.

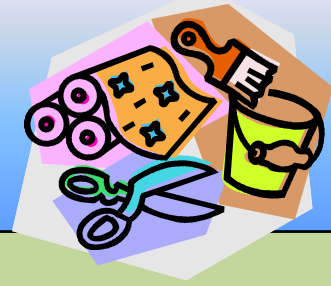


The family often went to New York City to see a play or a magic show.



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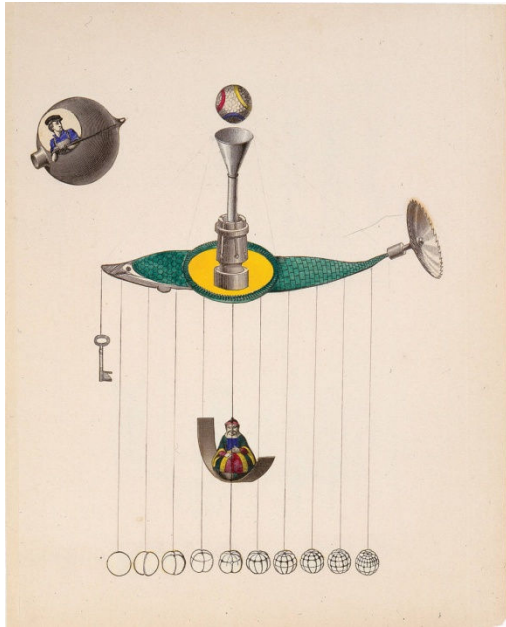
Cornell started collecting old books, photographs, souvenirs and small precious things.





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He started making collages using pictures of toys and other playful things to make his sick brother laugh.



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Cornell kept collecting all sorts of things from second hand stores and junk shops. He would sort his collected items into groups.

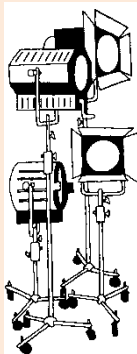


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Cornell liked to go to the theater, ballet or opera.



Sometimes he made collages using items which reminded him of the theater or ballet



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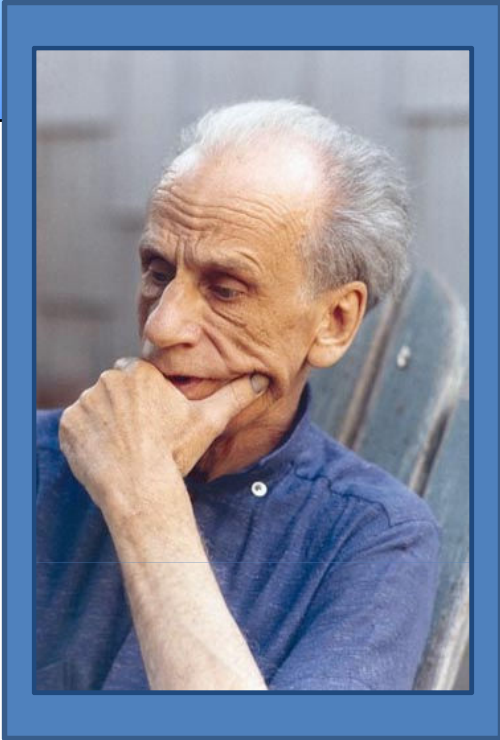
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Cornell started building shadow or collage boxes. These are a shallow box that hang on the wall and sometimes have a glass window.



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Collage Box



Cornell never married and had a job as a textile salesman.



When people saw his collages, he was able to quit work by selling his collages and boxes.

“All About ME” Art Project

Collage Box



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“All About Me” Collage Box

Now let's make our own collage box using a shoe box or lid.

Look at the collage boxes below and notice how the pictures and items are arranged and where they are glued. Some of the items are more in the front and some are in the back. Some things are up in the box and some are on the bottom. To build your collage box, here are some tips:

- Glue things to the back and sides of the box.
- Draw or color on the back or sides of the box.
- Or glue patterned or colored paper on the back or sides of the box.
- Hang things from the top of the box with pipe cleaners and scotch tape.
- Set things on the bottom of the box.



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“All About Me” Collage Box

A few days in advance MTA volunteers should let the teacher know that the students need to bring in a shoe box or lid, along with personal collected pictures and items to glue in their box. The pictures and/or items should show what they like in the way of activities, hobbies, interests, play time and family.

Materials Provided:

White Glue
Brushes
Magazine Clippings or Clip Art
Colored Construction Paper
Pipe Cleaners

Materials Provided by the Volunteer / Teacher:

Newspaper to cover work area
Bowls for glue
Scissors
Scotch Tape
Additional Magazine Clippings or Clip Art
Crayons or Colored Markers
Optional – Clear Saran Wrap

Process:

1. Cover art work area with newspaper for protection.
2. Students should bring their shoe box / lid and art project items to the work area.
3. Glue the artist slip on the outside of the shoe box / lid.
4. Students should write their name on the outside of the shoe box / lid.



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“All About Me” Collage Box

Process continued:

5. Pass out construction paper, pipe cleaners, magazine or art clippings for students to look at and decide if they want to use any of these items in addition to the ones they brought.
6. Have the students arrange the items in the shoe box / lid before gluing everything so they can get an idea of how it looks.
7. To build the collage box tell the students the following ideas:
 - **Glue** things to the sides or back of the box.
 - **Cover** the inside or sides of the box with construction paper **or draw** a background using crayons or markers.
 - **Hang things** from the top or the side of the box using the pipe cleaners.
 - **Glue a tab** onto the back of a picture so it stands out in the front part of the box.
 - **Set things** on the bottom of the box.
8. Optional – Tape a piece of clear plastic wrap over the front of the box to make it look more like a framed work of art.

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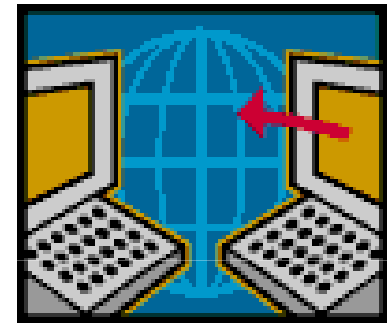
“All About Me” Collage Box

The websites below are just a few which will provide you with more information about Joseph Cornell and his artwork:

<http://www.josephcornellbox.com/lifeart.htm>

<http://www.ibiblio.org/wm/paint/auth/cornell/>

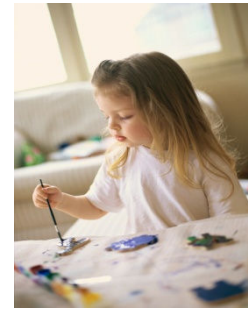
<http://www.artchive.com/artchive/C/cornell.html>



To see a list of Joseph Cornell’s artwork look at the following website:

http://www.artcyclopedia.com/artists/cornell_joseph.html





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