

# Cyanotype Prints

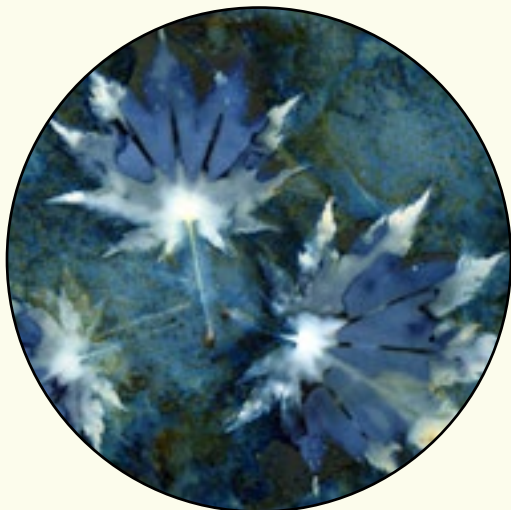
A Safer at Home Art Idea by Angela Johnson

## Materials:

- [Cyanotype squares \(recommended 6x6\)](#)
- Cardboard or wooden board (recommended 8"x10")
- Clips (Harbor Freight, Home Depot, or Menards)
- Plexi Glass cut to 8"x10" (glass in an 8"x10" frame works too)
- Container to rinse image in
- Splash of hydrogen peroxide
- Fresh flowers, dried flowers, edible flowers, fresh or dried herbs - lavender, basil, rosemary (THIN flowers or herbs you can see through if you hold them to the light work best)
- **A SUNNY DAY**

## Senses Engaged:

- Touch - Hands on tactile, arranging flowers, herbs into an arrangement on fabric, clips, feeling warmth of sun, rinsing out the fabric in running water
- Visual - Choosing flowers, herbs, creating an arrangement on the fabric
- Smell - Smell of flowers or herbs
- Sound - Play relaxing music in the background while working on the cyanotypes, outdoor nature sounds, running water
- Taste - Tasting different herbs, or edible flowers



## Preparation:

1. Choose relaxing background music to listen to (without words, maybe classical, NPR).
2. Set out wooden board (or cardboard), clips, Plexi Glass, and flowers (or other objects).
3. Take pre-treated cyanotype fabric out of the black bag. NOTE: The fabric is light sensitive, close the bag and seal as to not expose the fabric you are not ready to use.
4. Put fabric on board and arrange the objects on the fabric - do this out of direct sunlight.
5. Put Plexi on top of fabric and arrangement - clip each side with clips.
6. Set outside in the sun for 5-10 minutes on a sunny clear day. 15-20 minutes on cooler or cloudy days.
7. Remove from direct sunlight, unclip, and remove flowers or objects.
8. Rinse fabric thoroughly in plain water until water runs clear, then add a splash of hydrogen peroxide to the water to set the fabric will also darken the blue color.
9. Lay flat to dry out of direct sunlight.

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