

# Ripped Paper Collage with Chris Casarez

An ART KIT collaborating with Salem on the Edge

**YOU WILL NEED:** Large paper, color paper/magazines/food labels and wrappers found around home, glue stick

## PAPER COLLAGE: Mixed Media

**Look.** Examine the three photos of Chris Casarez's current exhibit at Salem on the Edge. Do you see some familiar objects?



Chris Casarez's work is on display at Salem on the Edge until October 10<sup>th</sup> 2020

In this activity, you will use the ripped papers to illustrate a common object in an unexpected location or a strange object in an everyday location.

**Create a background.** Create a background of an everyday setting *or* a strange setting using ripped paper, labels, and wrappers. Arrange the pieces on a large piece of paper and glue them down.

**Add the subject.** Choose an object to be the focus of your collage. Notice how you can work with the different shapes and colors of ripped paper? Arrange the pieces and glue them down!

**MEET** Eric and Chris on the SAA YouTube channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCUaJUtG3VKIWRygc-pWrqYA/videos>



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My desire for this space is to be a gathering place for all ages, and art that reflects that. The first piece in the gallery space was by Chris Casarez, a graffiti artist. I wanted younger people to walk in and think "Hey this place is kind of cool, they might have something for me here". My favorite thing of having people come into the gallery is that they find the experience to be interactive. The art evokes feelings, memories, stories and conversation. They are always surprised by what is stirred inside them, sharing these moments is the best. I will be so excited to meet you, and talk about what you have created. I would love for you to bring in your art to show me.

Salem on the Edge is all about enriching people's lives through art. I want to bring artwork into individuals' everyday life so they can make their home or office a reflection of who they are. I also wanted to attract first time art buyers. I selected artists who have different styles, subject matters, and media so that everyone coming in would find something they liked or could relate to.

Come visit Salem on the Edge and see Chris Casarez's photographs and Eric Tautkus' mixed media paintings. Their work will be up September 4 - October 10th.

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