

Screen Printing Assignment #1

Paper Stencil

Situation

When you look for paper products you can never find one that suits your style or taste.

Problem

Create a paper product using the paper stencil method of screen printing that is a product that you can use for some upcoming special occasion.

Specifications

- Use the paper stencil method to create your stencil
- Design must be original- created by you
- Design must use one color ink only
- You must repeat the print at least 3 times
- Designs should be graphic in nature

Materials

- Screen Printing Set up and supplies
- Your choice of paper product for printing (folder, paper, brown paper bag, handmade paper, boxes, cardboard, etc.)
- Ribbon, staples, tape, raffia- or other craft products based on your product design idea

Research

- What is meant by a graphic design?
- What types of paper products are typically screen printed?
- What is the difference between a positive and negative image?

Resources

- Course web page
- Book: Simple Screen Printing, Basic Techniques & Creative Projects

Ideas

- Brainstorm paper products that interest you. These things might include: greeting cards, wrapping paper, journals, gift bags, envelopes... you are only limited by your imagination so be creative.
- Create sketches of at least 3 ideas
- Create a good copy sketch of your chosen idea and have it approved.

Design

- Create a stencil of your approved design using the paper stencil method outlined on the web page.
- Print your stencil
- Complete all details of your product.

Evaluation

- Take digital pictures of your product to post to your course web page.
- Have two other students in your class view your product and get their feedback. What do they like about it? What do they think could be improved?
- Did your product turn out the way you intended it to be? How would you improve your design?
- Did you find the paper stencil method easy or difficult? How could you improve your technique in the future?
- What are some positive features of your product?
- What were some challenges in completing this assignment?
- Could your product be marketed? Explain.