Art in Your Home Studio with URBAN ARTS SPACE

Still Life Photo Composition

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Tips
Don’t be afraid to experiment!
Do it with a friend or family member!
Make sure you have enough light.
Make a series using different items you’ve found around your home, office or other spaces.
Try it in black & white.
Try it outside using the sidewalk as a background.
Print it and frame it!

Supplies
- Digital Camera, Smartphone Camera, iPad (other device that can take a picture)
- Plain Sheet of Paper in any Color, Plain Cloth or other Material for Background
- Stuff (coins, crayons, pencils, marbles, batteries, vegetables, straws, toothpicks, utensils, legos, etc.)

Preparation & Execution
1. The Set Up. After you have gathered your items, find a place where you can arrange them in a visual custom pattern on top of your plain background. A table or empty space on your floor. It should be a place where you can look down on your creation and take a picture comfortably.

2. Think about how you want to arrange the pattern. Experiment and don’t be afraid to take shots of a few different patterns.

3. Use your smartphone or other device to photograph each still life. Try to frame it so that only the plain background and your arrangement can be seen. Or edit out unwanted edges with your camera app.

4. When you’re done, upload to your social media and use the #urbanartspace and #crafternoons. If your young artist is working with you also use #artexplorations

5. Do it again and don’t forget to title your work!