



Creative Finds for Creative Minds

Eco-Printing on Silk with Dyann Alery Black

Included in your kit fee, instructor will supply the following materials:

- Large variety of leaves and flowers for printing, including eucalyptus and grapevines
 - Students may bring leaves (see below), if they have access and wish to do so.
- Silk pieces for printing
- 8 in. x 72 in. silk scarf
- Chemicals and all necessary tools and supplies for processing

Student Supply List

Please bring the following with you to class:

- An “iron blanket” — this is a:
 - white or ivory piece of cotton fabric (an old sheet works great) approximately 9 in. x 75 in.
 - This fabric **MUST be washed and dried** without fabric softeners, etc. before class. The eco-printing process will *not* be successful if the sizing and stiffeners remain in new fabric, or if your sheet or has been laundered with fabric softeners or dried with dryer sheets.
- While a class handout will be supplied, please bring a notebook and pen to take notes. Everyone is encouraged to ask questions – that’s how we all learn!
- Botanical matter if you have access to it, harvested the morning of class. The general rule is nothing waxy will work. Some evergreens are nice. Regarding herbs, Dyann notes she has only had luck with purple basil.

The following leaves, vegetables and plant material print well:

- Acacia
- Maple
- Oak
- Cherry
- Alder
- Apple
- Chokeberry
- Blackberry
- Birch
- hydrangea leaves and flowers
- Black-eyed Susans
- Marigold
- Carrot tops
- Red cabbage
- Coreopsis flowers
- Sumac
- Eucalyptus (Dyann will be bringing a lot of this for students)
- Ferns
- Palms fronds
- Grapevines (Dyann will be bringing a lot of this)
- Japanese maple, black walnut, St. John’s wort.