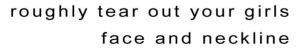


using tracing paper decide on the size and placement of your girl and sketch out a rough idea





using a pen and some neutral coloured paper sketch out your girls face using simple loose lines





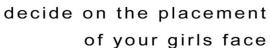


choose papers to use for your collage - go for bold patterns in a range of small and larger prints in complementary and contrasting colours





tear all the edges off your papers and decide on placement







using matte gel glue down
your papers
when dry trim the overhaning
edges





glue down your girls face and birds (is using them) when dry cover your whole piece with a layer of matte gel

using acrylic paint carefully, but loosely paint
over your collage papers,
try to cover around 75%
of the paper, (or more if
you choose)





add smaller details with thinned down paint in a needle nose bottle





paint over your flower using medium, dark and light shades

loosely paint your flowers keeping brush strokes "messy"





using watercolour
markers, inktense of
pencils add some shading
to your girls face, and the
birds
wet with a brush





using a pink or orange colour add colour to her cheeks, wet with a brush

using white paint add some small highlights





add details to your girl such as a collar to her dress, with white paint and pen





paint your vase using mid, dark and light shades, keeping it loose

add highlights and details in the background with a fine tip bottle





add small details and hightlights as a finishing touch and to balance your piece





if needed to add balance you can put down more collage or paint to adjust the light and dark aspects of your piece



supplies list

- 3 x Canvas board or wood panel 11x14 (or similar)
- Gel medium I use liquitex matte gel
- Vintage papers in bold colours, patterned napkins etc. (I provide a selection of the papers I use in these projects as pdf file which you can print out and use if you choose to)
- Assorted acrylic or craft paints
- Watersoluble colouring media for the faces (I use Winsor and Newton watercolour markers, you could also use coloured pencils, tombow markers, inktense or watercolours)
- An old credit card or plastic scraper for collaging
- Variety of paint brushes
- Tracing paper (or transparent kitchen paper)
- Micron pen in small size (.02, .03) such as Staedtler pigment liner
- Fineliner or needle tip bottles I use around 6 in total

- Matte or satin varnish to seal the finished piece (I use liquitex

satin varnish)



