

Geometric Fragmentations

Grade Level: 01 & Up**Time:** 60 mins.**Difficulty:** Medium**Clean Up:** Soap & Water

Try this simple project to create beautiful artwork by overlapping geometric shapes. We'll be using Paper Mesh to create a fragmented pattern of intersecting forms. Our Paper Mesh is a dust-free alternative to working with burlap. The mesh surface is perfect for threading with yarn and makes a fun exercise for children practicing manual dexterity. Subject matter accompanies lessons in basic geometry.

Materials Used:

Roylco **Paper Mesh**
(R15401)

Roylco **Plastic Lacing**
Needles (R5601)
pencil

acrylic paints
brush or sponge
yarn

Optional Materials:
Frame

Step 1

On a sheet of Paper Mesh, draw simple geometric shapes — circles or squares, triangles, pentagons, etc. Overlap your shapes to create fragmented segments. Press lightly on your pencil, as this line will only be used to guide your thread in the next step. You can also attach pieces of the Paper Mesh together to create larger images. Or, cut single sheets down to smaller sizes.

Step 2

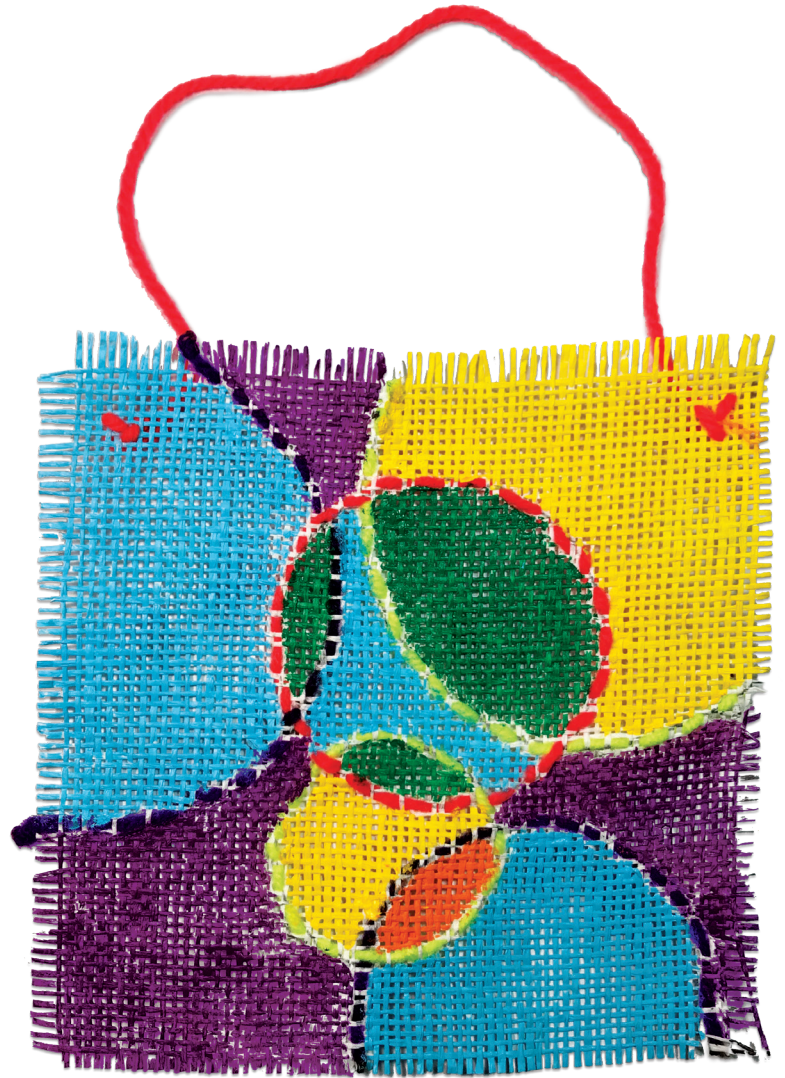
Once you're satisfied with your pattern, choose some yarn to thread through the paper mesh. Use our large and easy to thread plastic Weaving Needles to make this step easier and safer for children.

Step 3

Once you've finished lacing your pattern, paint the fragmented parts using acrylic paint and a brush or sponge. Be sure not to paint over the yarn in your threaded pattern. This will help to create the effect of small stitches around your colorful yarn. Try to paint different colors next to each other to demonstrate how you've broken the shapes into different parts.

(Optional) Step 4

Add a string of yarn to hang your art. Or, frame it. This is a quick way to add color and beauty to any room.



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