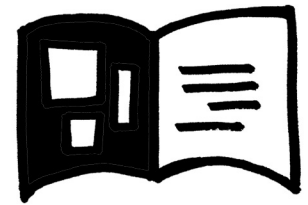


Zines are self-published, non-commercial, DIY books. A zine contains a collection of text and/or images. It serves as a creative space to share feelings, opinions, ideas and artwork. Zines can be made by anyone and are easily reproducible in printed format or shared online. They offer the opportunity for connection, community, and networking. Zines offer an alternative outlet for niche topics ignored by mainstream media. They are a vehicle for marginalized voices who want to share information and express themselves.



what are zines?

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a mini how-to guide

Some examples:
collection of collages // drawings
or mini-comics // illustrated recipes // poetry // a manifesto // historical research // photo zine // fanzine // how-to guide

And think about your zine's tone: personal // political // cheerful // action-oriented // humorous // etc.



Think about topics, people, places, objects and ideas that energize you, that you want to share.

content

what will your zine be about?



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The booklet format - printed or online - can take multiple forms. Eight-page mini zines (like this one) from copy paper are the easiest to make.

what format will it take?

Think about how size, fonts, colour palette, type of paper, mixes of papers, layout and visuals will impact your content and cohesiveness. It's helpful to sketch it out.

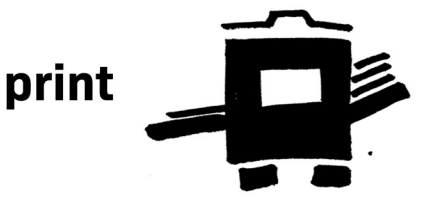


design

how will your zine look?

some examples:
stapled // folded // stitched
clips // tied string

how will it be bound?



print

how do you want to reproduce your zine?

If you're making a small run of printed copies > home printer

if you're making a larger run, consider photocopiers at:

- > copy store
- > public library
- > university or college library

If you're making a large run or printing a colorful zine, consider a local press or online printer.

You can post your zine online and let people print their own copies.

share



how will you get your zine out there?

Zines are a great tool to use in participating, building or imagining new communities you want to join.

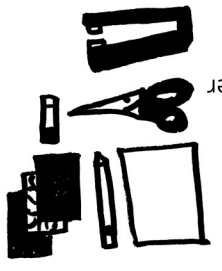
If you have physical copies:

- > trade or swap for other zines
- > mail them to friends
- > participate in zine or book fairs
- > sell them in stores
- > barter for services

And to spread the word:

- > post on personal website
- > social media
- > tell your friends and family

materials



your basic zinemaking tool kit

other nice to haves:
tape // long-arm stapler
needle and thread // string
hole punch // india ink // paints
paintbrush // cardstock
patterned paper // magazines
other ephemera