

Rain and Sunrays

Printmaking

A print is a picture made by transferring an image from one surface to another. Different types of printmaking include block printing, screen printing and collagraphy.



Collagraphy

Collagraphy is a method of printing. It was invented by the artist Glen Alps in 1955. To make a collagraph, materials are stuck onto a block to make a collage or picture. The collagraph block is coated with a layer of ink. Paper is pressed onto the inked surface and then peeled off to reveal the print.



Symbols

A symbol is a sign or an object that is used to represent something. Weather symbols represent different types of weather, such as cloudy or sunny. Transient art can be used to make weather symbols out of natural materials.



cloud symbol



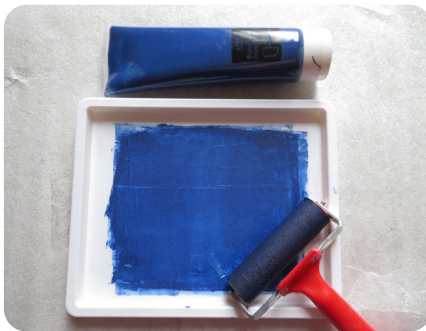
Sun symbol

Printing equipment

Special equipment is needed to make a collagraph.



printing rollers



printing tray



coloured printing inks



textural materials

Famous collagraphs

This collagraph is by an American artist called Amanda Snyder. It is called *Destiny*. The print has a range of different textures.



Glossary

block	A flat surface, such as cardboard or wood, on which materials are stuck.
collage	A picture made up of different, smaller parts.
equipment	The tools and materials needed for a particular purpose, such as printing.
ink	A coloured gel or solution, used to colour a surface.
method	A way of doing something.
pattern	A design in which lines, shapes or colours are repeated.
transient art	Moveable, non-permanent art that is usually made of natural objects and materials.