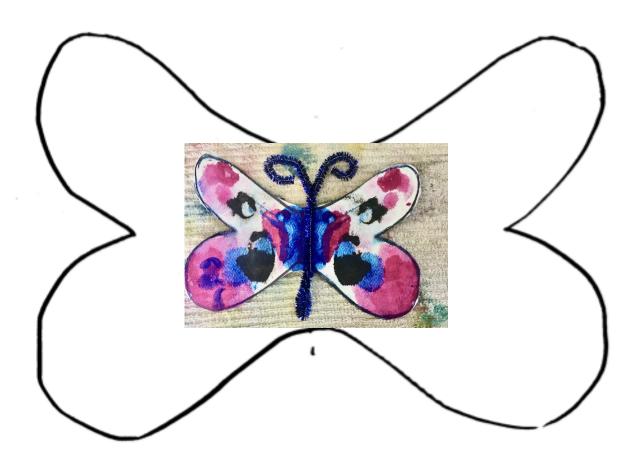
Butterfly Craftivism

Make butterflies to hang in trees around town, to educate about butterfly habitat.

Supplies: Butterfly pattern (below), 9x12" watercolor paper (cut into quarters), pencil, scissors, newspaper, water, paint brush, concentrated watercolors (or other permanent inks or paints in bright colors), pipe cleaners, string, cardstock (to print tag), large needle

- 1. Trace butterfly pattern onto a quarter-sheet of watercolor paper, and cut it out. Fold in half, then open flat.
- 2. Look at photos of butterflies for color inspiration.
- 3. Put the paper butterfly on newspaper, and brush one side with a film of water.
- 4. Use a dropper to apply small dots or swirls of one color to one side of one wing, then press the sides together to get a mirror image.
- 5. Add more color a little at a time, pressing after each.
- 6. Flip the butterfly over (on newspaper) and blot off the extra paint. Dry in the sun (or optionally, use an iron.)
- 7. Repeat with second side.
- 8. Fold a pipe cleaner in half and insert over the center fold, to make a body. Twist pipe cleaner at top and bottom to hold in place, and shape the top ends into antennas.
- 9. Print educational tags on card stock, two-sided, and cut out. Sew a piece of string through the tag with a needle (or punch a hole).
- 10. Tie a string at the top center to hang your butterfly, and tie the educational tag underneath.



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Salal

Salmonberry

Saskatoon serviceberry

Scouler's willow

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Flowers:

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Barestem biscuitroot

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