Workshop 12: Yukako's Guinea Pig Collage

Yukako Shibata led this art workshop at Bluebird House, a young person's unit in Southampton. The activity was based on Bluebird House's Guinea Pig Riley. This activity works collaboratively or on your own.

You will need:

1. Photo of your pet

3. Card or board

2. Coloured paper

4. Glue

Tip: If you don't have coloured paper, make your own by painting white paper. Or old magazines can be a good colour paper source. Particularly useful for eyes - as magazine papers are often glossy.



Method:



Take a photograph of your pet



Find suitable coloured paper. Next cut or tear them into small pieces.



Decide how to crop in and plan the colours you want to use. Use your artistic initiative and make changes to your photograph if you want. Colouring in to the photograph helps you to see clearly where you are going.



Start pasting cut papers following your guide and photograph. You can start anywhere since you have a guide.



Draw a rough outline of your pet on to the board. This is only a guide and therefore you only need a loose drawing to see where everything goes



Continue until all the background is covered and your picture is finished!