

ALLENTOWN
ART MUSEUM
Memory Collage



Artists use photographs, drawings, and art to create collages for many reasons. Collage can change the meaning of photos, make them more unique, and put different photos together for many reasons. An example of collage we'd like to highlight from our collection is Family Series by artist Allan Edmunds.

Allan Edmunds (American), *Family Series*, 2004, Screen print and collage.
Gift of the Experimental Printmaking Institute, 2017. (2017.3.8)

Create your collage by combining photographs, drawings, paper, found objects, and keepsakes. You can use things you already have at home to create a fun, meaningful art activity you will keep for years. Follow these steps to make your own collage.

Step 1: Lay out your photos to decide on a composition before gluing it down. Trim off edges, add decoration and color, and experiment with different looks.

Step 2: Tape or glue together your collage materials. Make sure all corners and edges are glued together well. Use markers or pens to add writing or dates to photographs. Make sure your collage is completely dry before gifting it. Consider placing your collage in a frame.