

# ZINE MAKING WORKSHOP LESSON PLAN

*Provided by the Changing Womxn Collective*

## OBJECTIVE:

The goal of this workshop is to create a group zine. Each participant will make a page using the prompt you give them. You can use the prompt provided or you can create your own!

## PROMPT:

What does empowering womxn, femmes and non binary creatives of color look like to you? How do you center historically sidelined narratives?

## SUMMARY OF TASKS/ACTION:

- Create a google doc as a sign in sheet. It can be simple! All you need is their name and email! Make sure everyone signs in.
- Present the provided presentation on zine history + making. After the presentation, ask if participants have any questions.
- You will now explain that you will be making a group zine. Each participant will make a page for the zine based off the prompt.
- Give them the prompt and ask them what comes to mind. If you have a board, write down their responses.
- After they get some inspiration from their responses, you will give an overview of the materials provided.

- Participants can now pick what materials they want to use. You should walk around and help when needed. If you want to, make the cover page! Ask the group what they would like to title their zine and use that as inspiration.
- After everyone has finished their pages, ask if anyone would like to share theirs! After sharing, compile all the pages together and as a group choose the order the pages should be in.
- Once the zine is in order, have everyone clean up and return the materials used. You can pass around the zine while you close out the workshop.
- After the workshop, scan the pages and create a digital version of the zine that you can send to everyone using the emails they provided on the sign in sheet.

## MATERIALS:

- Construction paper/card stock
- Colorful markers
- Stickers! Go wild!
- Paint (acrylic and watercolor)
- Paint brushes
- Mixed media paper
- Rulers and scissors
- Glue sticks and regular glue
- Magazines + printed images related to prompt
- A typewriter if you can get access to one!



## CLOSING + AFTER WORKSHOP:

If you are not going to reuse the workshop materials, consider allowing participants to take them home! This will give them the incentive to continue making zines. Once you have compiled the digital version of the zine, send us a copy at [changingwomxncollective@gmail.com](mailto:changingwomxncollective@gmail.com). Send us a summary of how the workshop went and pictures if you took any! We would love to hear from you!

# ADVICE AND TIPS

## TIPS FOR A SUCCESSFUL EVENT

- Make sure that the space you are holding the workshop in is wheelchair accessible and is welcoming for womxn, people of color, and the LGBTQ+ community.
- Bring a speaker and play music while people are signing in and getting ready for the event. You can play music while participants work on their pages for the zine, too. Consider using one of our playlists on Spotify!
- Practice your presentation and come prepared. Book the space two weeks in advance and publicize your event ASAP. If you need help, reach out to people ahead of time.
- Plan to be at the event location at least 20 minutes before. Set up the projector you will be using and make sure all technology is working. This is when you should set up the materials table and arrange the room seating for comfortability and accessibility.

## PURCHASING MATERIALS

- Set a budget. If you need assistance with funding, consider reaching out to organizations in your area. If you are in college, reach out to community centers and student organizations to see if they would like to sponsor the event.
- Go to Dollar Tree. You can find everything on the materials list at the dollar store, they have a craft section full of fun stickers and affordable supplies. The best part is everything is a dollar so you don't have to worry about going over budget.



If you are looking to host a workshop, contact us at [changingwomxncollective@gmail.com](mailto:changingwomxncollective@gmail.com). We can help you plan your event and provide support.

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