LEARN to make a collage portrait out of used magazines and colored paper. Project inspired by TSU Olympian Wilma Rudolph.

GATHER your art supplies:
- Paper/printed image
- White glue (or Modge Podge)
- Scissors
- Old paintbrush
- Old magazines
- Colored scrap paper
- Cereal box
- Glitter
- Markers

CREATE your own collage portrait! Follow along with the video tutorial at tennesseecraft.org/kids.

Step 1: Print or draw the image on paper. If drawing, do a simple outline with a marker.

Step 2: Cut out different colors you would like to use out of old magazines or colored paper. Colors you might use in your palette: brown, tan, black, red, yellow, orange, green, blue, purple, pink.

Step 3: Lay out pieces and glue in place. You can even put glue on top to create a top protective layer. Let dry.

Bonus: Make a frame! Cut out a side of a cereal box (front or back). Place artwork down and trace the perimeter, remove, and add glue. Then add glitter around the edge, glue down artwork, and let dry.

SHARE your artwork with friends and family on Facebook and Instagram using the hashtag #tncraftkids!

TSU Department of Art and Design student and M-SPAR artist in residence (AIR) Ta’Miracle Caruthers leads us through making a portrait using old magazines and colored paper scraps. The subject of the portrait is TSU Olympian Wilma Rudolph.

Ta’Miracle picked up collage after seeing the artwork Romare Bearden created in the mid-1960s. Bearden expressed his experiences as a Black man and the obscurity of abstract painting through his artwork. Ta’Miracle continues this tradition by creating artwork looking at uplifting Black self-love and empowerment.

After creating your own portrait, we invite you to learn more about Wilma Rudolph and the Tigerbelles who were inspirations for this project.