

Mondays at the Museum

(at home!)



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This week's object is a **family photo album**.

To the right is an image from the Family Album on display in our current exhibition *Inherit: old and new histories*. *Inherit* is Orange Regional Museum's new long-term exhibition where we can learn about both familiar and less well-known stories from across the central west.

Many of the portraits have come from family albums and homes across our community. They show us just a fraction of the people who have called Orange and the surrounding districts, villages and towns their home.



Image: Reproduction photograph of Kathleen Hollingsworth Finch, c 1912
Photograph by Tesla Studios, Sydney
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A photo frame

This week we are going to make a photo frame, you can add magnets so it can be displayed on your fridge.

What you'll need:	Substitute
Coloured cardboard.	Any other cardboard, eg cereal box.
Glue stick	Craft glue
Scissors	
Ruler	
Masking tape	
Crepe paper, stickers, glitter, stamps or feathers to decorate	Any decorations you choose
A family photograph	

Instructions

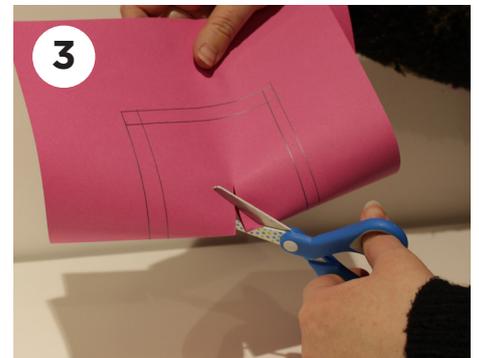


Collect decorations from around the house to create your photo frame.

Have a look on the fridge and see if there are some magnets you could attach to the back of your photo frame.



Place your photograph in the middle of your coloured cardboard and use a ruler and a pencil to trace around the outside of the photograph. Take the photograph off the cardboard and use the ruler to draw new inner lines 1 cm inside the tracing lines of the photograph.



Cut out the middle of the frame. You can do this with scissors by gently folding the cardboard in half, cutting a cross into the middle. Then unfold the cardboard again and cut into each corner, once you have done this it is easy to cut out the lines of the rectangle, from corner to corner.

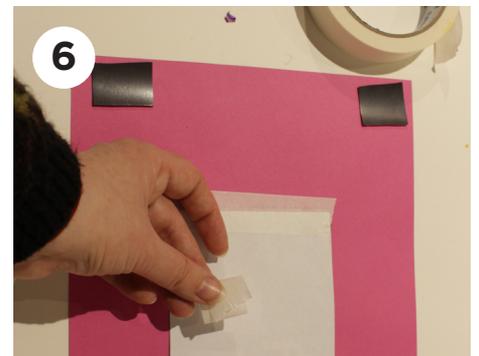


Use masking tape to attach the photo to the photo frame.

Make sure the pencil marks are on the back of the frame.



Decorate your photo frame with whatever decorations you wish.



If you have magnets, attach a magnet to each corner of the back of the frame, with masking tape.

Now you can display your photo and photo frame on the fridge.



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Extra Time:

1. Come to the museum and visit Inherit: old and new histories.
Have a look at the Family Album display and get someone to read the information on the touch screens.
Think about the people in the photographs and paintings.
What kind of lives do you think they led?
What do you notice about the clothes they are wearing?
2. Have a look at your own family album.
Are there any photographs of your grandparents or great grandparents?
Looking at these photographs from many years ago, what do you notice about the photos of your grandparents? Did they dress differently? Was their life different to yours? In what ways?
3. Draw your ancestors.
Pay close attention to the clothing they are wearing and what they are doing in your drawing.
You can even choose a photograph to draw inspiration from.