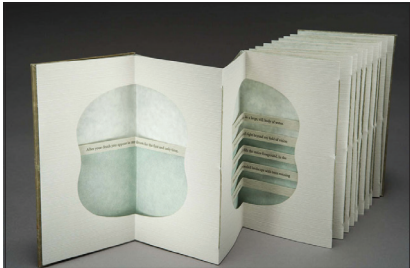
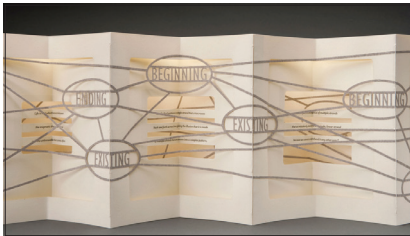
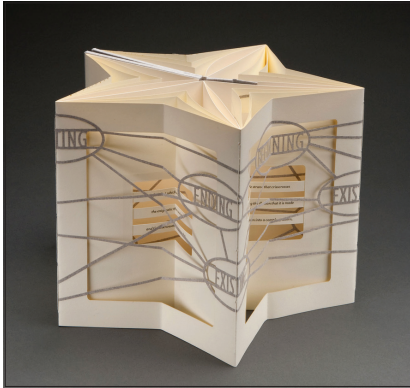


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<https://flyingfishpress.com/>



Carousel Book

Background

This concertina book structure was designed by Hedi Kyle. It can be altered in many ways, with more sections, more panels, alternate materials like vellum, mylar and other translucent papers, and shaped panels. Try alternating cutouts and pieces glued on for more complexity.

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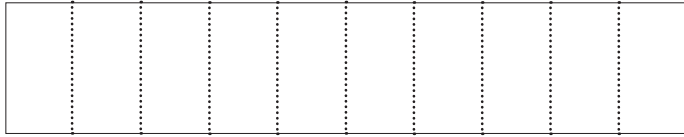
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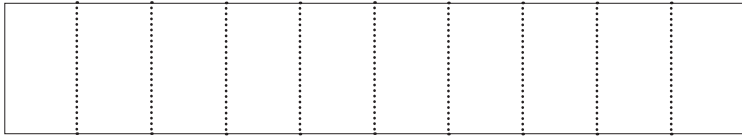
Materials

Three concertina panels folded into ten sections to make five open spreads:

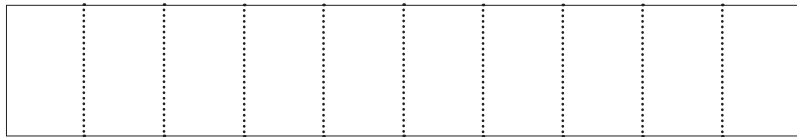
- 8" x 40" (with folds every 4 inches)



- 8" x 45" (with folds every 4.5 inches)

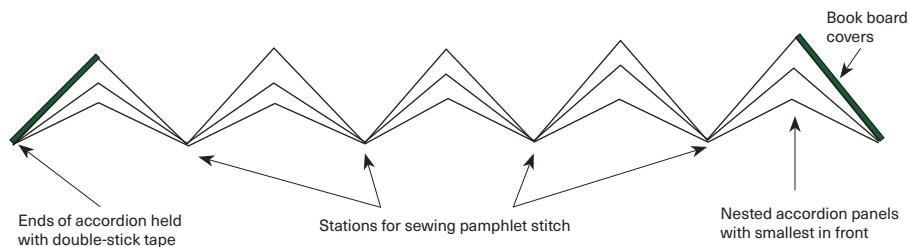


- 8" x 50" (with folds every 5 inches)



Two cover boards: 8" x 5" each

Thread and 1/4" wide 3M-415 double-sided tape.



Guidelines

Fold concertina panels into 10 sections for 5 open windows. Fold smallest panel into ten 4" sections, middle panel into 4.5" sections, and longest panel into 5" sections. You may need to create a flange to connect more length if your paper isn't long enough.

Figure out your design. Perhaps you're using an old print or photos and cutting out parts of it, perhaps you are drawing from scratch. As you'll need to sew into the mountain folds, be sure to leave enough material for the sewing. Many people do this by leaving a frame around each two panels, creating a window.

Cut, glue and complete the artwork for each of the three layers.

Fold a 8x3 in. piece of paper in half long-ways to create a jig for piercing the stations for sewing. One hole in the middle, and one at each end about half inch from the top and bottom. Mark which end is the top for consistency.

Poke the holes in each layer, being careful to make sure the jig is oriented correctly. Sew together all of the layers using a pamphlet stitch.

To connect the ends, place a strip of 1/4" double-sided tape on the bottom layer ends, and carefully line up the second layer at its edge. Then place another strip on the second layer edge, and line the front layer up at the edge on both ends of the book.

Cover your boards, and carefully glue your book block to each end. Place in press for a bit, or under weights at home.

You may wish to embed thin earth magnets into the covers so when folded into a star, your book can lock into shape.

