

## Successful Presentation Boards

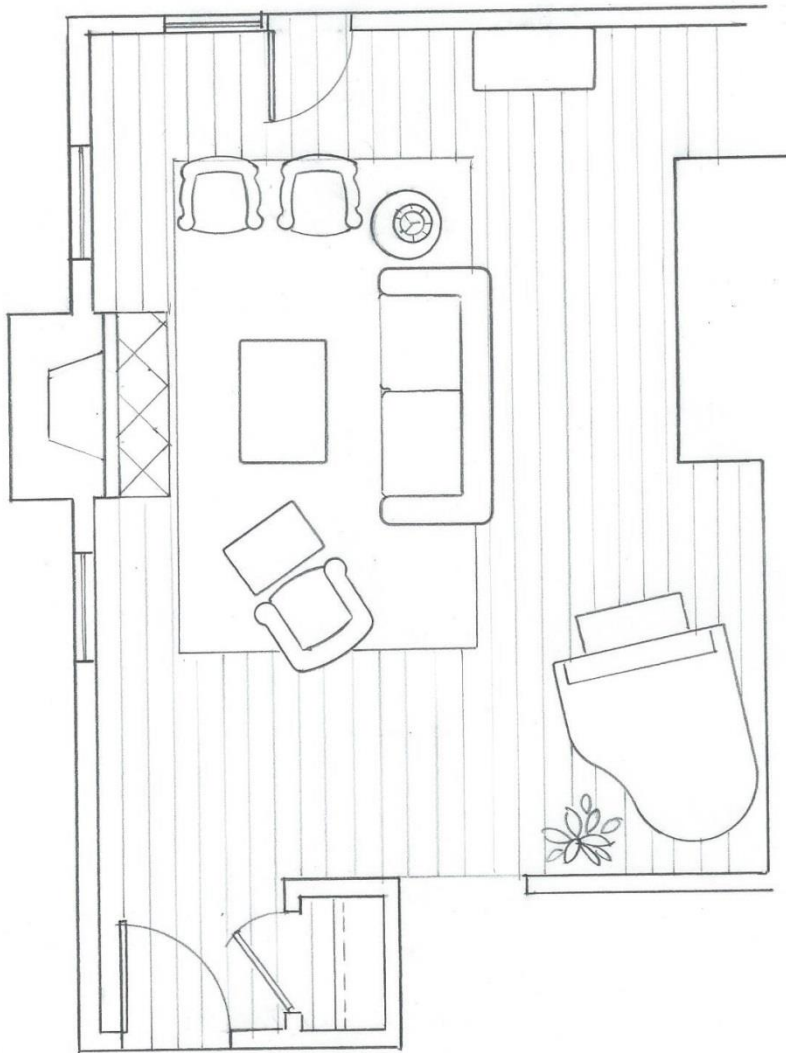
- **Boards**-A full sheet is 30 x 40. Most of the projects my students complete are on 15 x 20 boards, which is ¼ size. Most art supply stores will sell packets of presentation boards which is matte board weight. Foam core is the least expensive, but only the black foam core with the black interior looks professional and holds up over time.
- **Cutting**-An exacto knife is best for cutting boards and paper. For fabric, pinking shears work well for fabric that is going to be mounted flat. For wrapped fabrics, scissors are fine. For those lucky enough to have a rotary cutter and self-healing mat, that is the very best for cutting fabrics. A metal ruler is excellent to use with the exacto knife. A clear square ruler is best for cutting all pictures and labels evenly.
- **Mounting**-For light objects like labels, pictures, plans etc. double stick tape works great. For mid-weight items like fabrics and items already mounted on cardstock or board, rubber cement or a thin layer of school glue is best. The hardest objects to mount and have stay are carpet and tiles. Gorilla Glue is a heavy duty glue that seems to hold the heavy items. Some of my students also say duct tape works great! Hot glue can also work, but care needs to be taken to clean away the glue strings.
- **Depth**-The most interesting boards utilize depth. This can be achieved in different ways-mounting images on board or foam core, wrapping fabrics around small pieces of board, mounting vignettes on board and raising with foam mounting squares.
- **Other Tips**-  
All boards in the same presentation should be the same color and run in the same direction (landscape or portrait).  
All boards should be neutral!  
The most successful boards group and layer items for an interesting layout, and use depth.

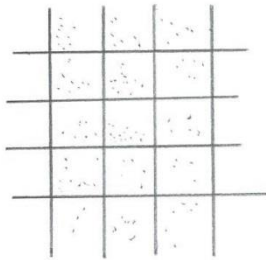
### Resources-

Many supplies can be purchased less expensively on line. Dick Blick is one site that has most of the supplies.

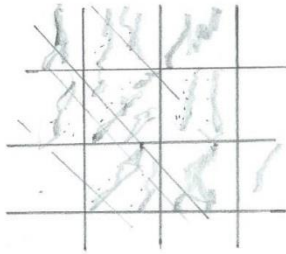
A great reference book is *Interior Design and Visual Presentation*, by Maureen Mitton.

There are a lot of interesting examples on Pinterest

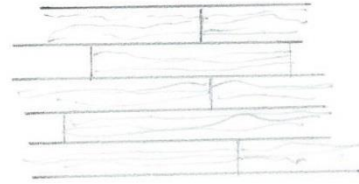




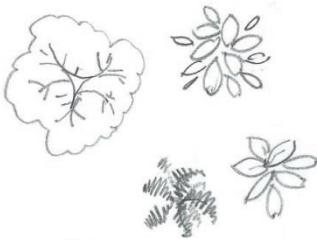
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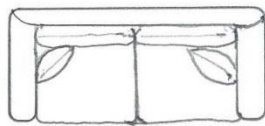
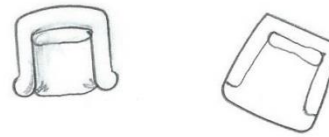
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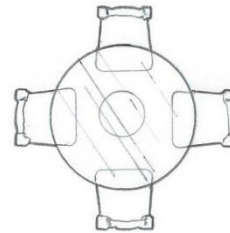
Wood Plank



Trees and Plants



Wood Table



Glass Table