

Hello authors, artists, and crafty folks! Let's chat about creating our very one little books called "zines". All you will need is paper, a pair of scissors, a few pencils/markers/crayons, and your imagination.

Zines can be any thing you'd like! Recipe books, comic stories, a series of poems, all drawings, riddles...SKY'S THE LIMIT!

Here's a bit more info about zines:

(Text adapted from Wikipedia)

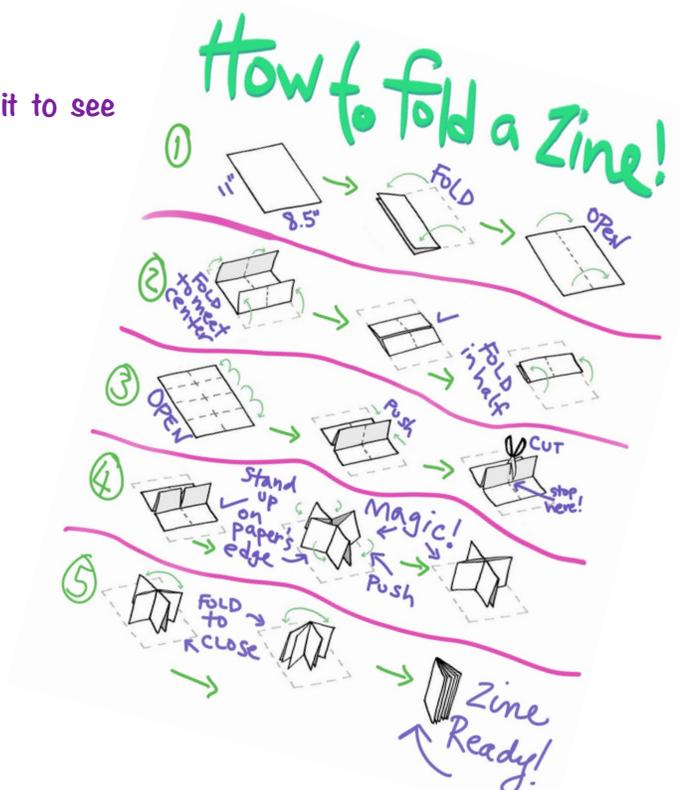
A zine (short for magazine or fanzine) is a small-circulation self-published work of original or appropriated texts and images, often reproduced via photocopier. Zines are the product of either a single person or of a very small group, and are popularly photocopied into physical prints for circulation. A fanzine (blend of fan and magazine) is a non-professional and non-official publication produced by enthusiasts of a particular cultural phenomenon (such as a literary or musical genre) for the pleasure of others who share their interest. The term was coined in an October 1940 science fiction fanzine by Russ Chauvenet. By definition zines have 1,000 or fewer copies, but many are produced as a series of 100 or fewer.

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The first zine is often traced back to a 1930s effort by the Science Correspondence Club in Chicago. It was called The Comet, and it started a long-lasting trend of sci-fi related zines. The important sci-fi zine Fantasy Commentator began in 1943, and ran in various iterations (though not continuously) until 2004. By 1993, an estimated 40,000 zines were being published in North America alone, many of them devoted to riot grrrl music and politics.

This is going to be a fun project! We can't wait to see what you create! Let's get to making!

:) Filomena Jack & Team



How to fold a Zine!

