

Eugene Textile Center

Fostering the Growth of Fiber Arts

Eco Dye

Eugene Textile Center's color maven, Janis Thompson taught an eco dye workshop, in the style of India Flint.

We foraged dyestuff from our yards and fields and travels and made masterpieces!

First we organized our raw materials onto a wet silk scarf...



raw materials on a silk scarf

some of the materials on this scarf are marigold petals, blackberries and blackberry leaves, cranesbill, twinberry



we dyestuff on one half of the scarf, so we could fold the other half over to create a seal.
after the fold, we tightly rolled our scarves onto a length of PVC pipe



and tightly bound the bundle with string



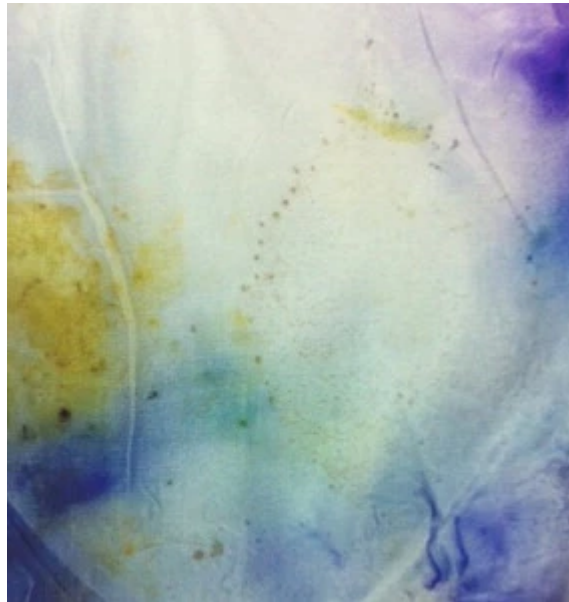
the bundle then gets boiled in mordanted water
and laid out in the garden to dry

after a few days of letting the dyestuff sink in, it's time to bring the bundle back, and unroll its glory...

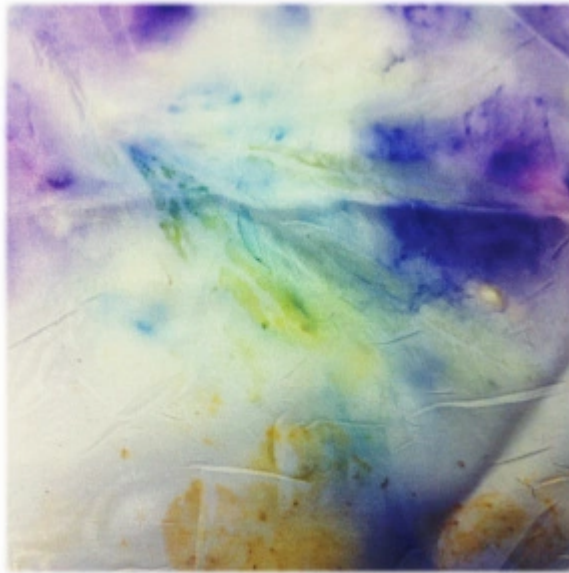


then, we washed off our dyestuff, let our scarves dry and set the dye with a little heat. check out the exciting results!





can you see the edges of the leaf print?



pretty clear leaf print



Janis’s next eco dye class will be in early November!!
Check out the details [HERE](#)

Also, just something to think about...

India Flint is coming to the Eugene Textile Center next spring to teach two workshops...
stop by the shop to find out more (and get yourself on the list!)

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