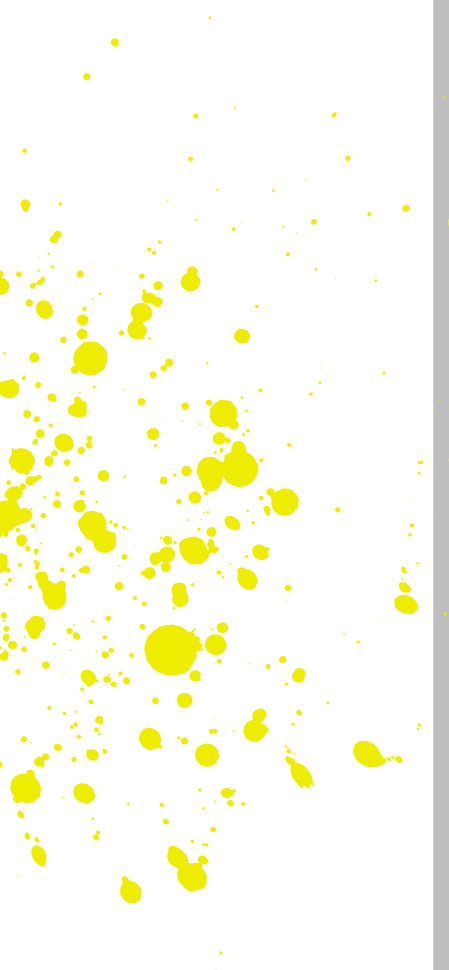
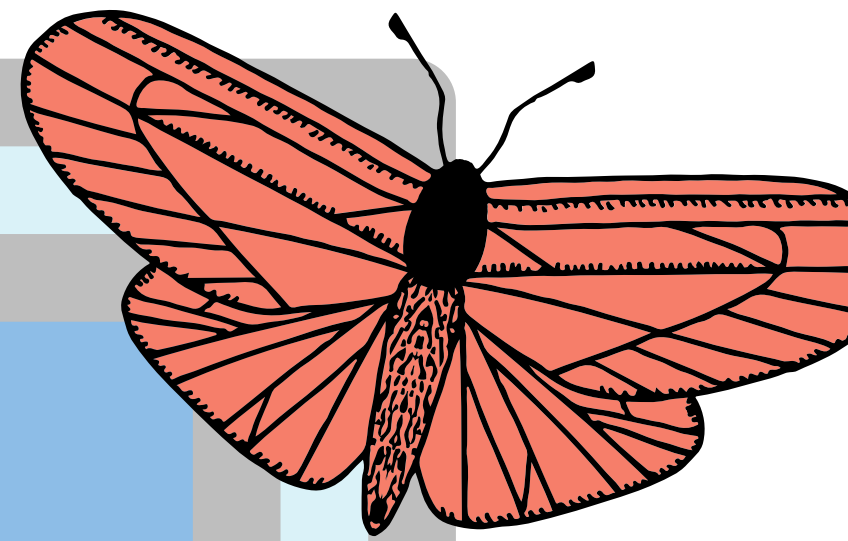
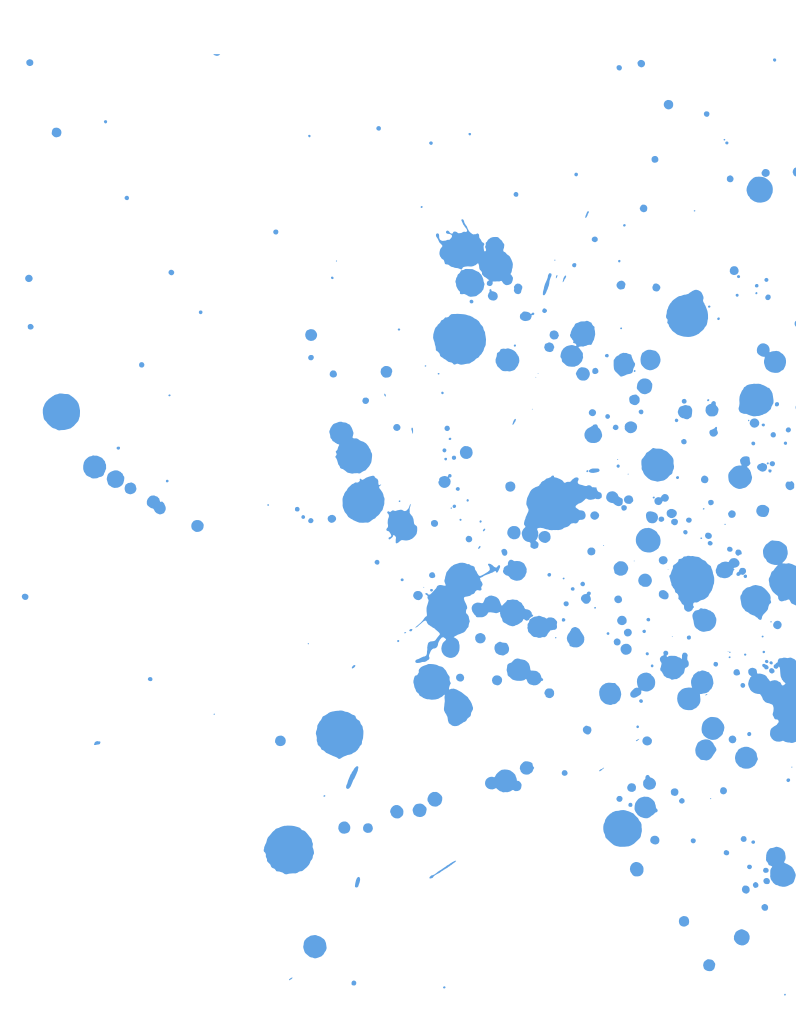
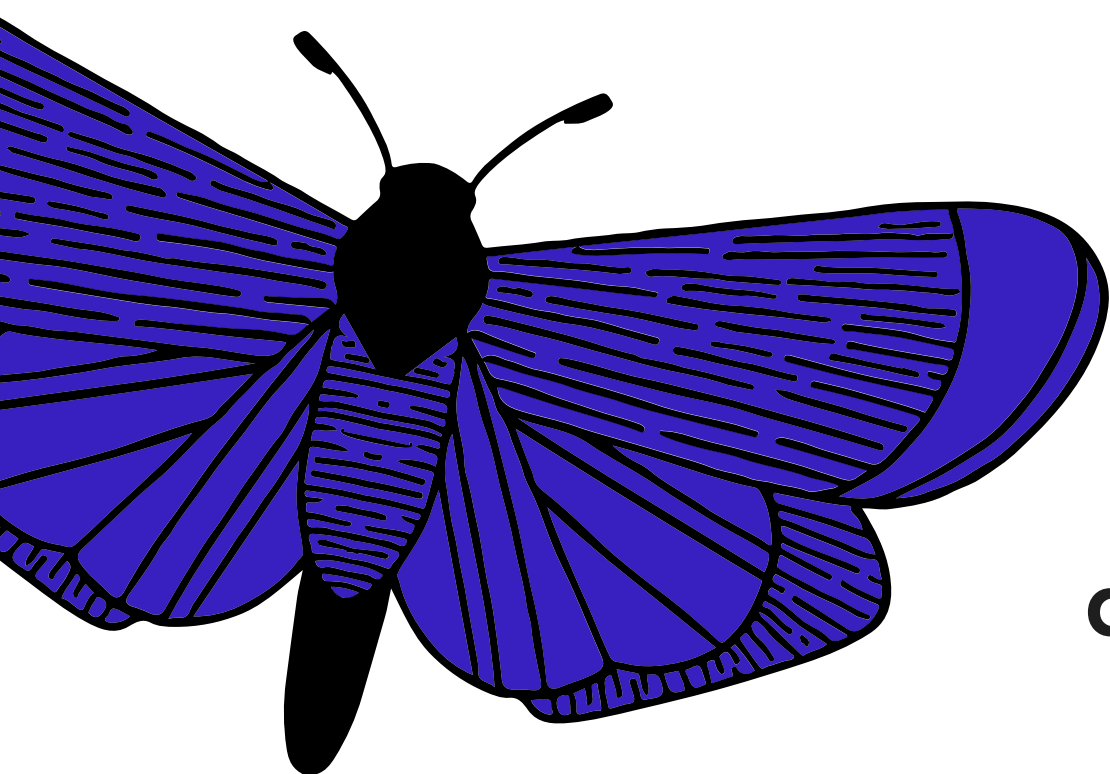


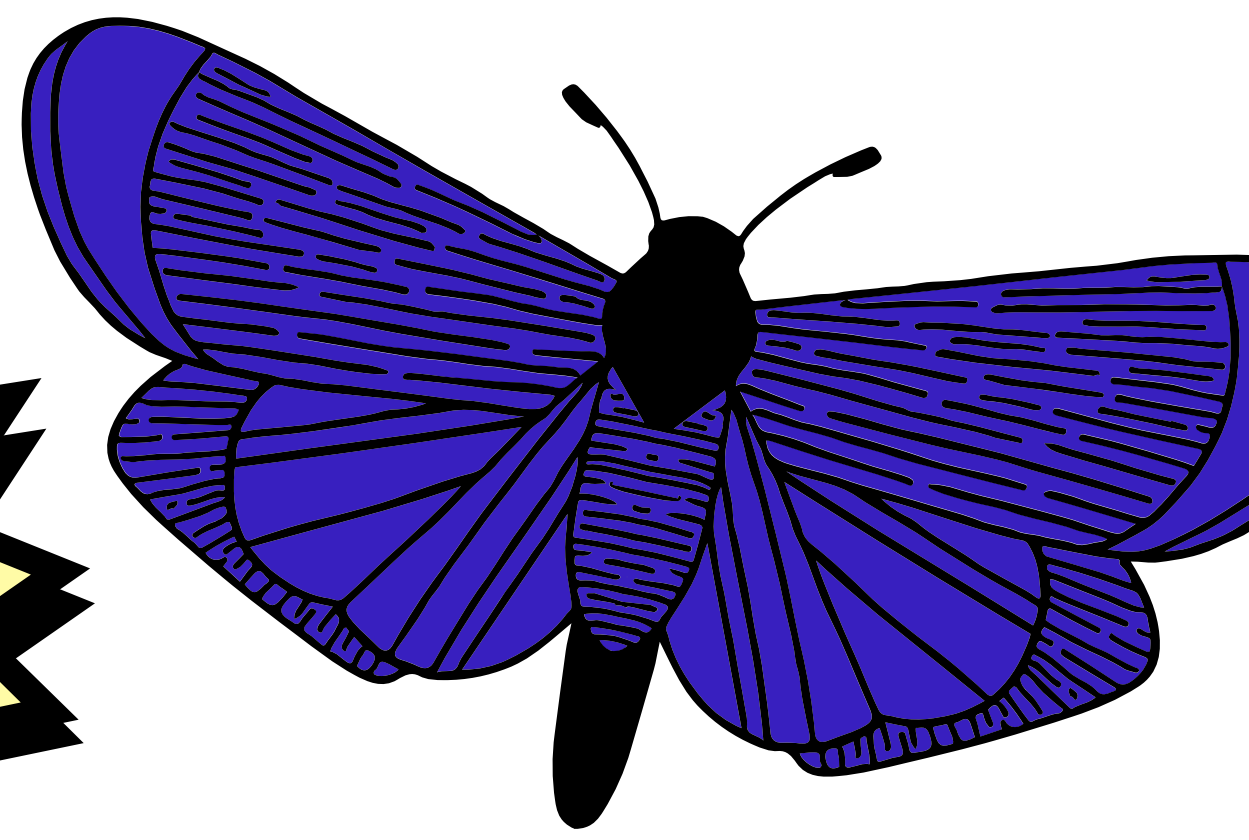
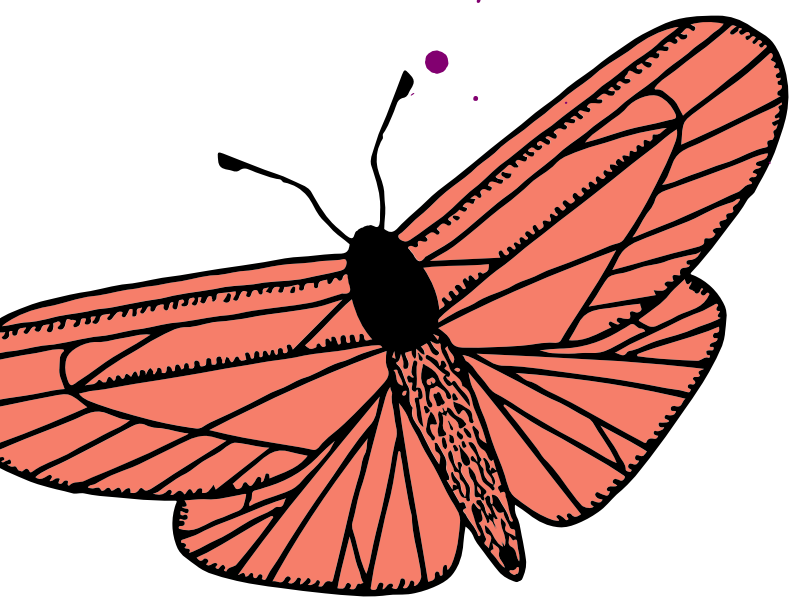
Make a Flying Insect Postcard!



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Insects: Animals with bodies in segments, jointed legs, and an exoskeleton

Exoskeleton: Having their skeleton on the outside like a suit of armor

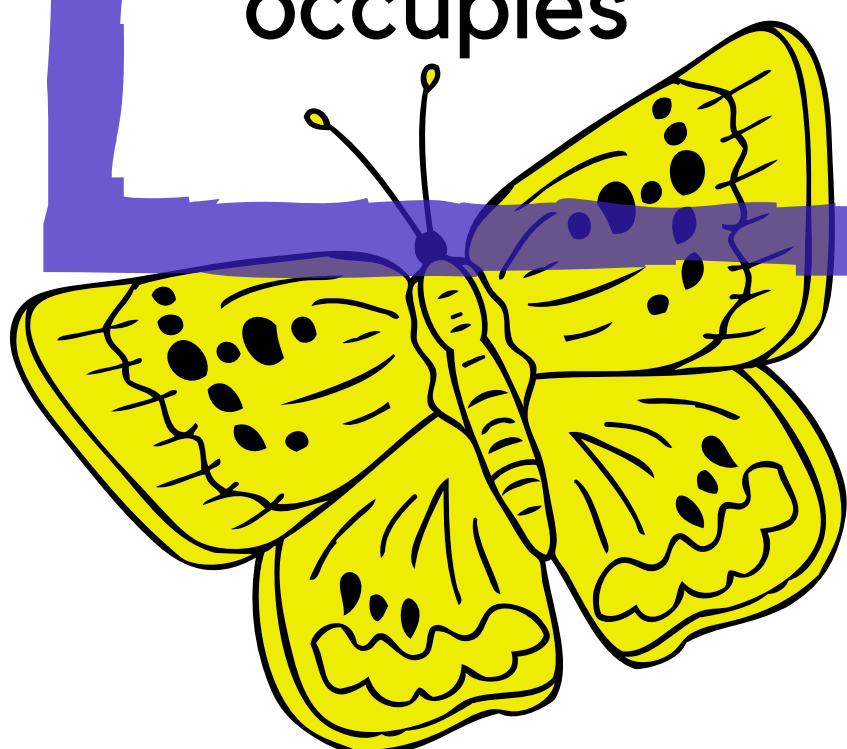
Species: Distinct kinds of animals pesticides: chemicals use to kill insects

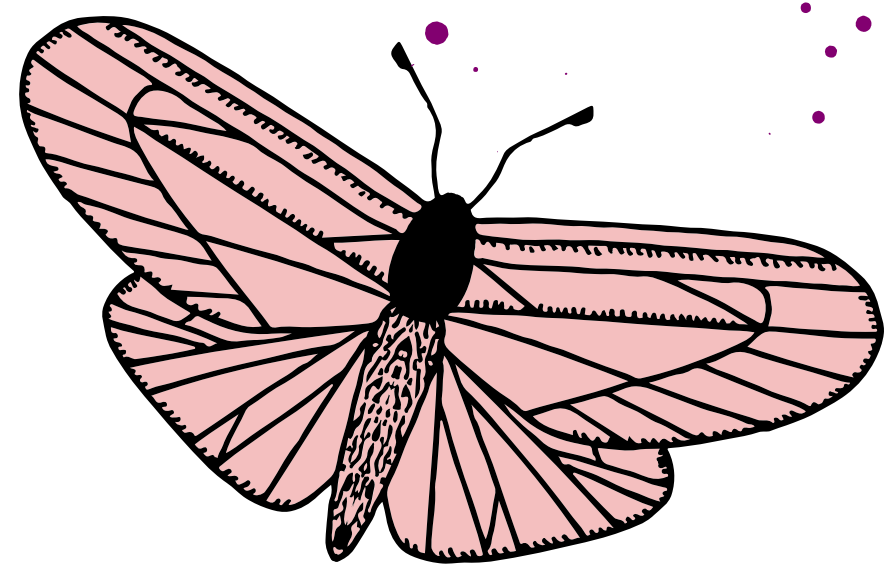
Monochromatic: Something that has different values of the same color

Renaissance: A time of great discovery and change between 1450 and 1650

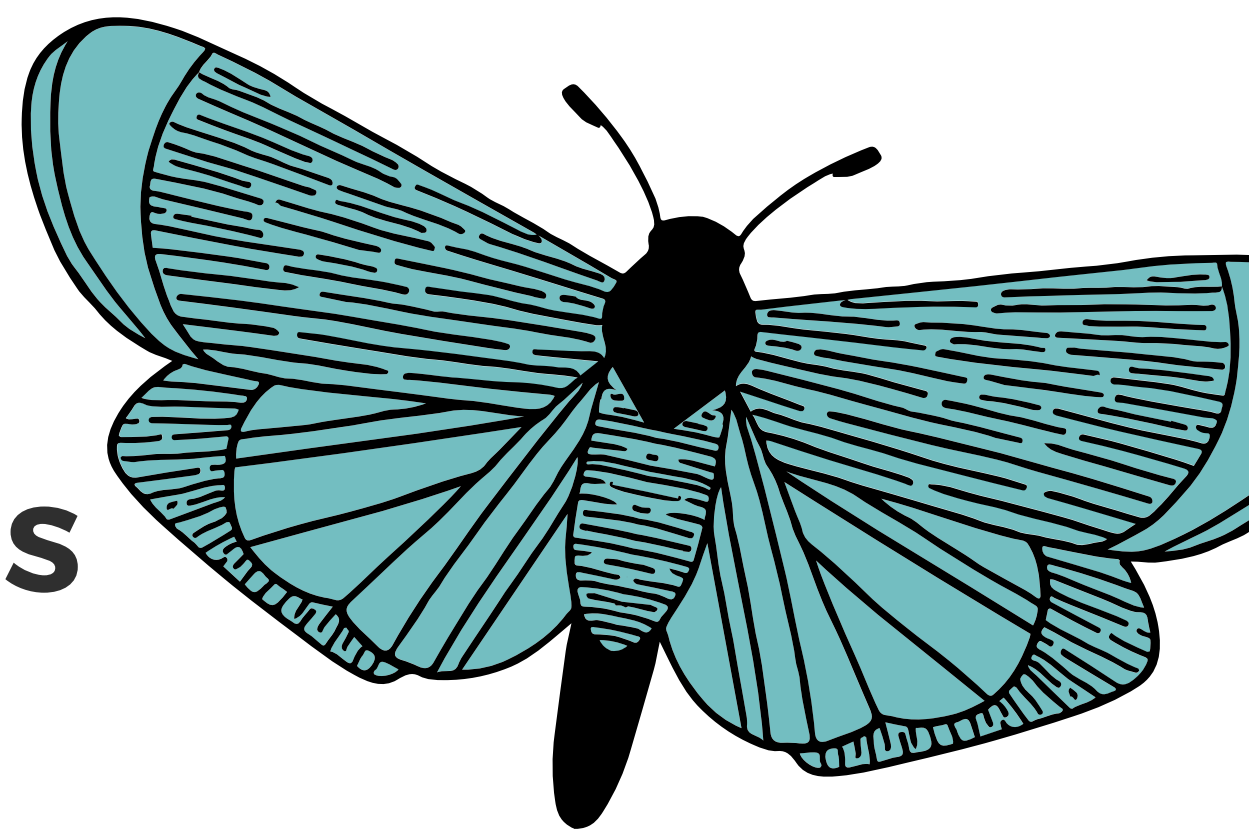
Negative space: Space around and between the subjects in an image

Positive space: Area or part of artwork that the subject occupies





FEATURED ARTISTS



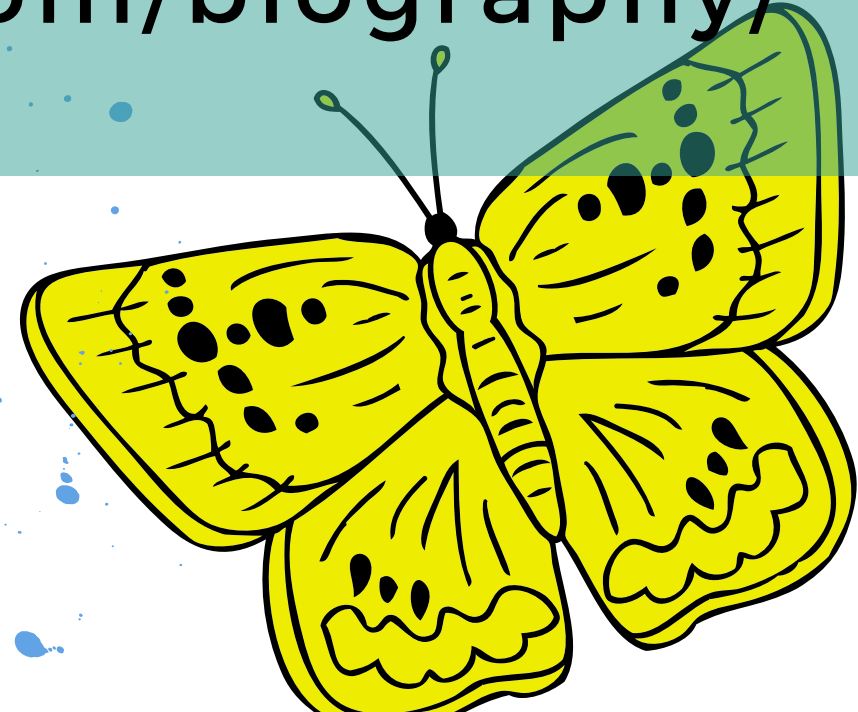
Leonardo DaVinci

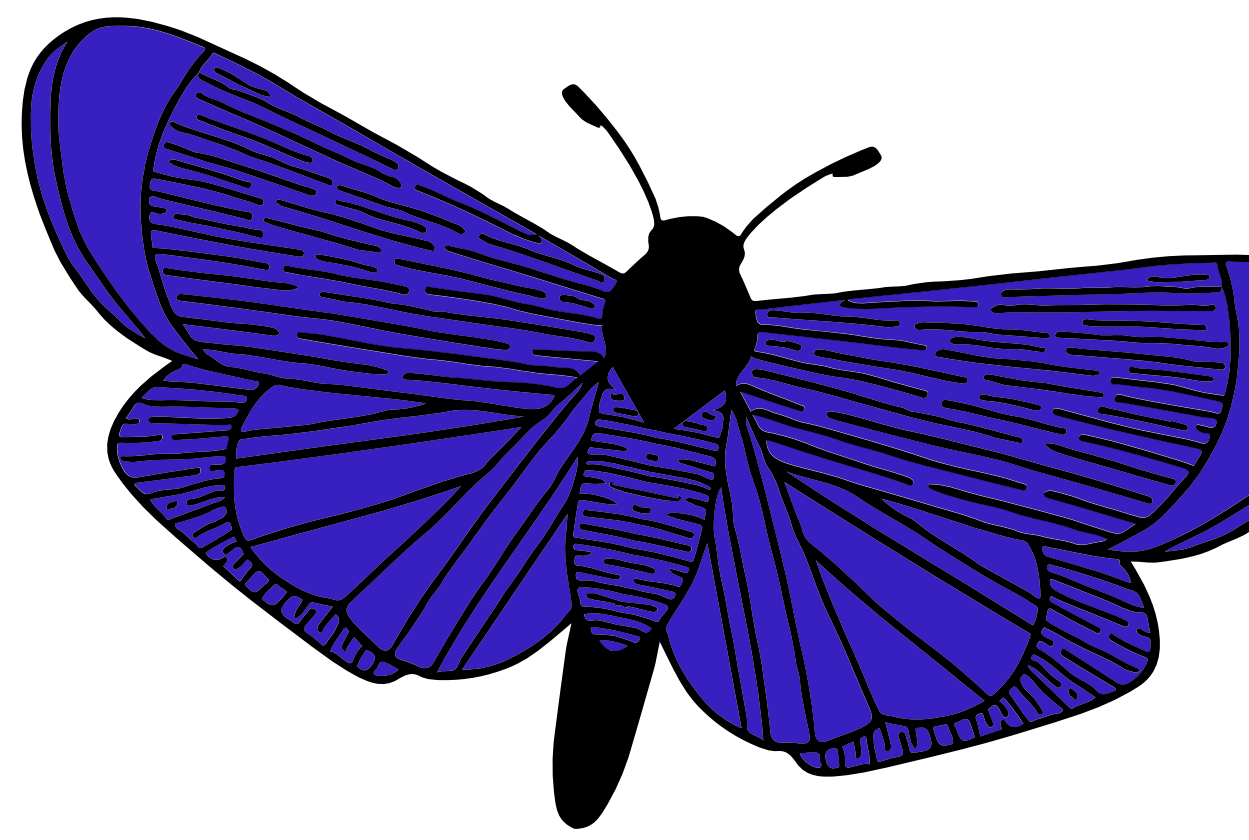
Leonardo Da Vinci is not only considered one of the greatest artists that's ever lived, but he was also a scientist, inventor, musician, map-maker, and engineer. He helped to invent the scientific method, which helps us learn more about bugs!



Christopher Marley

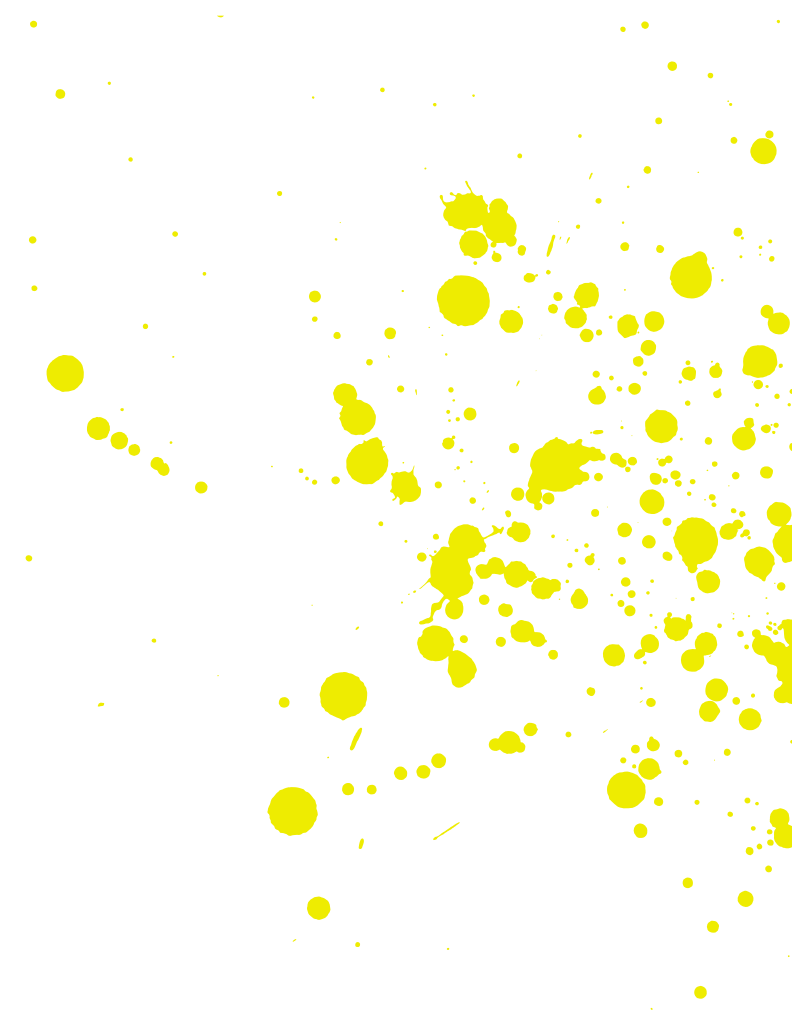
Christopher Marley is an artist that loves nature and features insects in his artwork. Christopher believes that one way to protect the homes of these animals is to support responsible insect collecting, which requires a healthy forest. For more about what he is up to, please visit: <https://christophermarley.com/biography/>





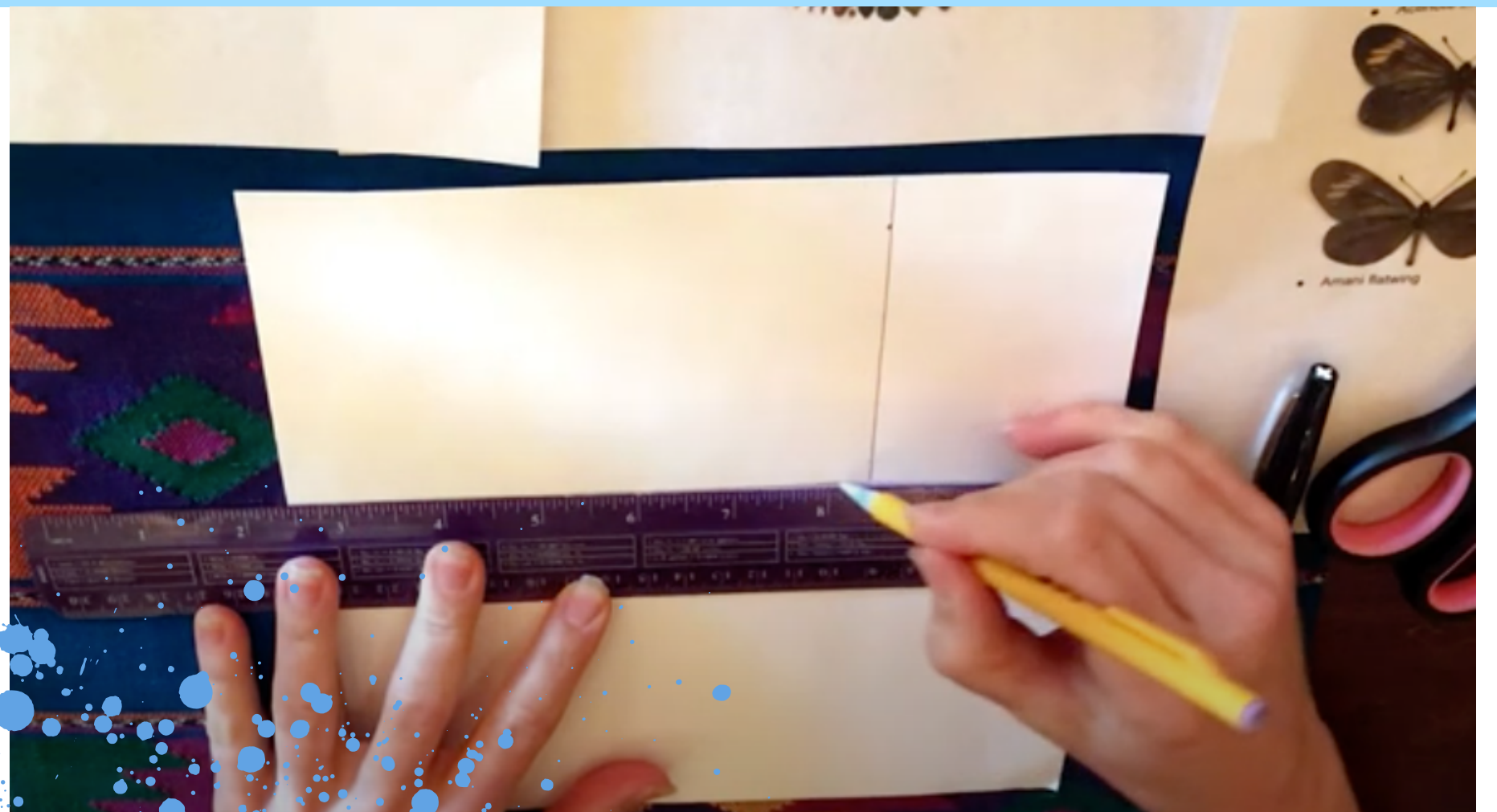
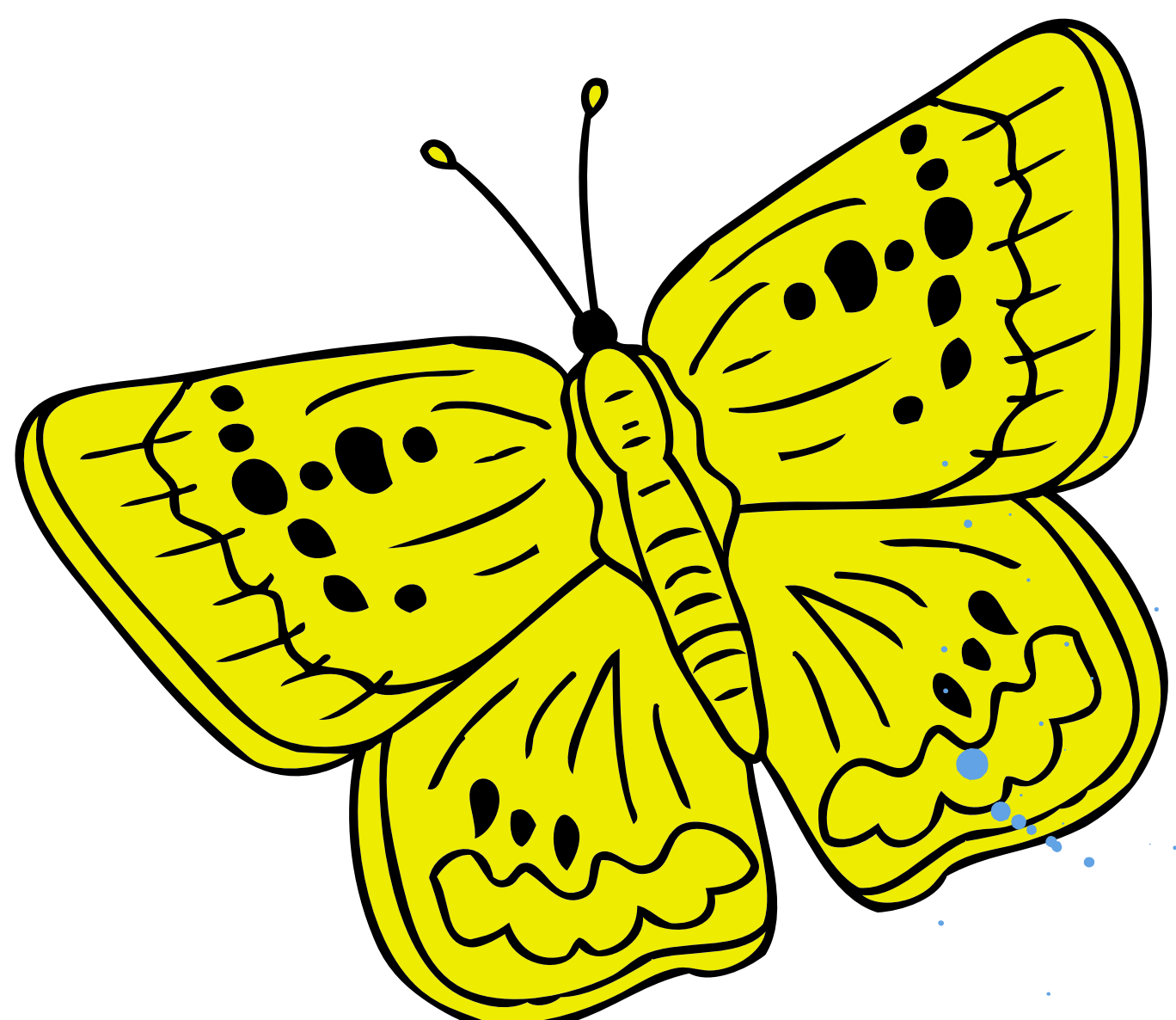
WHAT YOU'LL NEED:

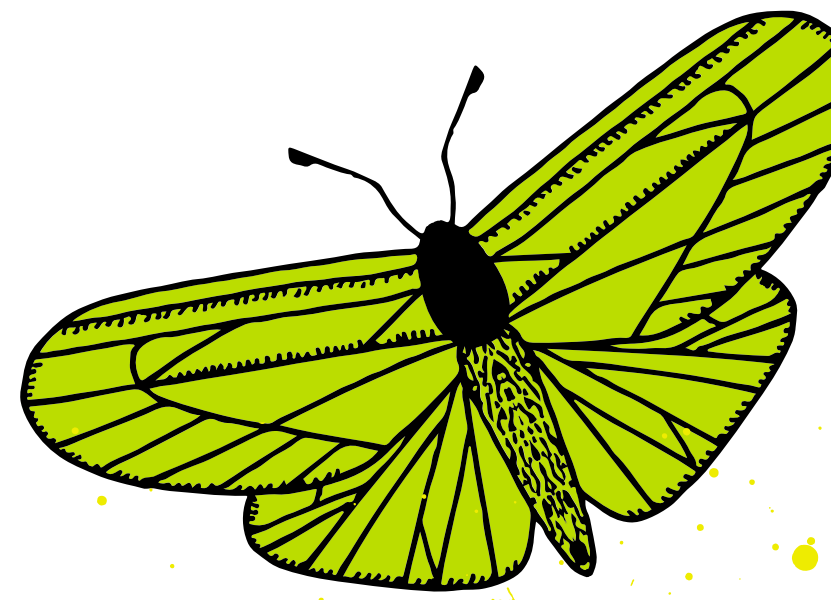
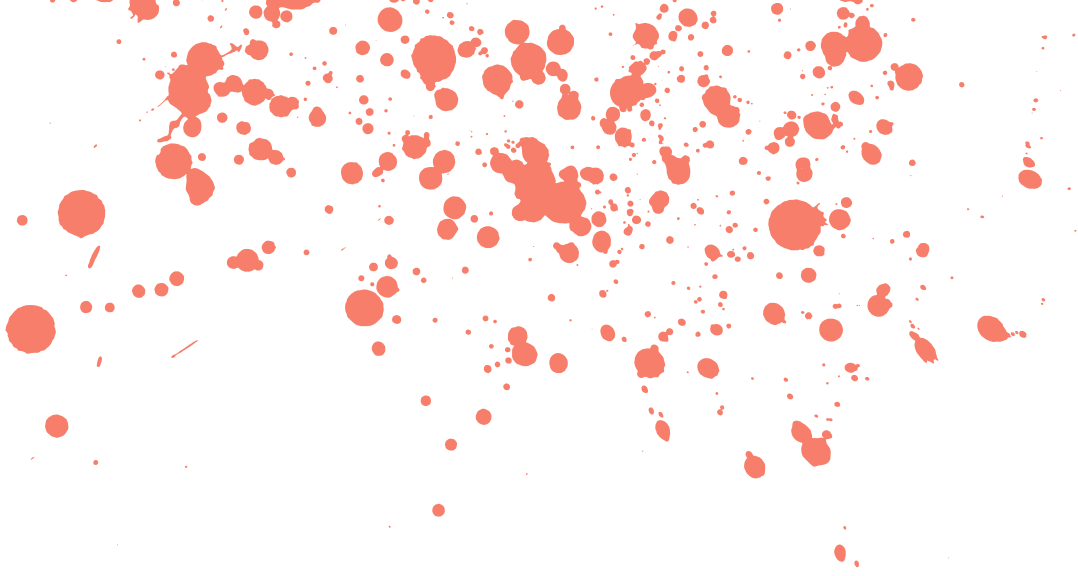
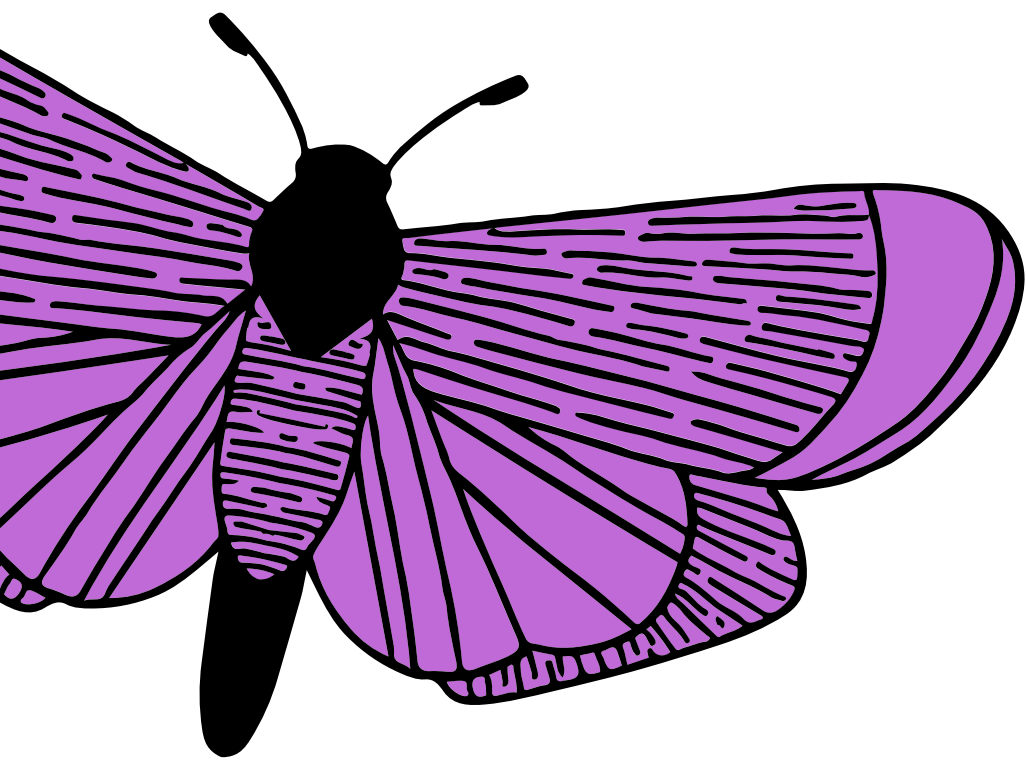
- Thick white paper, or regular paper folded and glued in half
- Ruler
- Pencil
- Black pen
- Colors of any medium
- Scissors
- Newspaper or magazine (optional)
- Glue



DIRECTIONS: MAKE YOUR POSTCARD

1. Measure and cut the postcard. Use your ruler to measure and draw a rectangle that is 4 inches by 6 inches on thick paper. If you don't have thick paper, you can fold a regular sheet of paper in half and glue it together. Cut out your rectangular postcard.



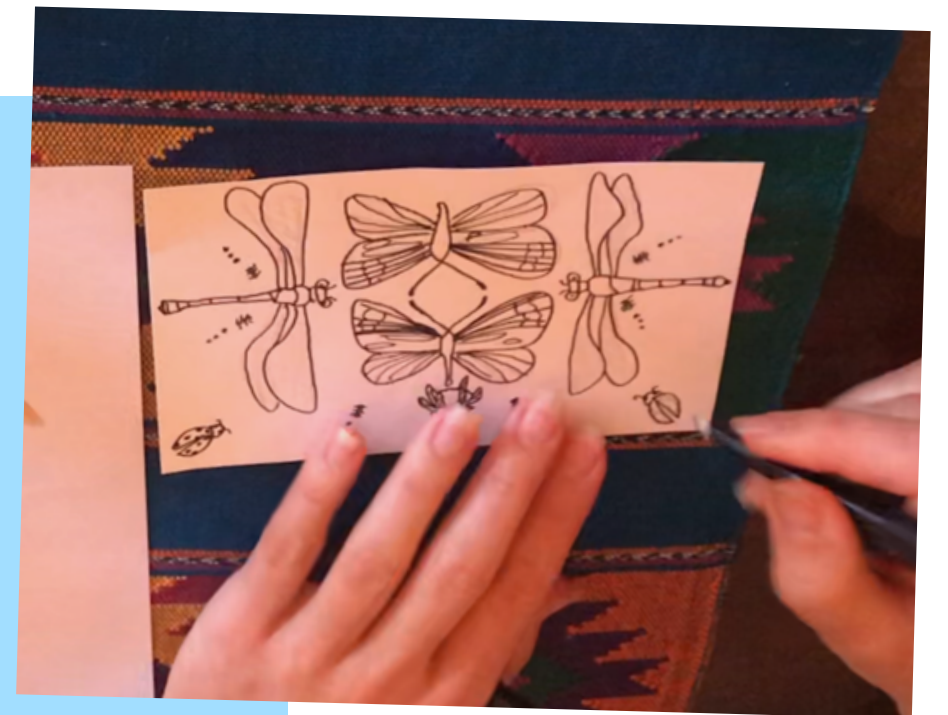


DRAW YOUR BUGS

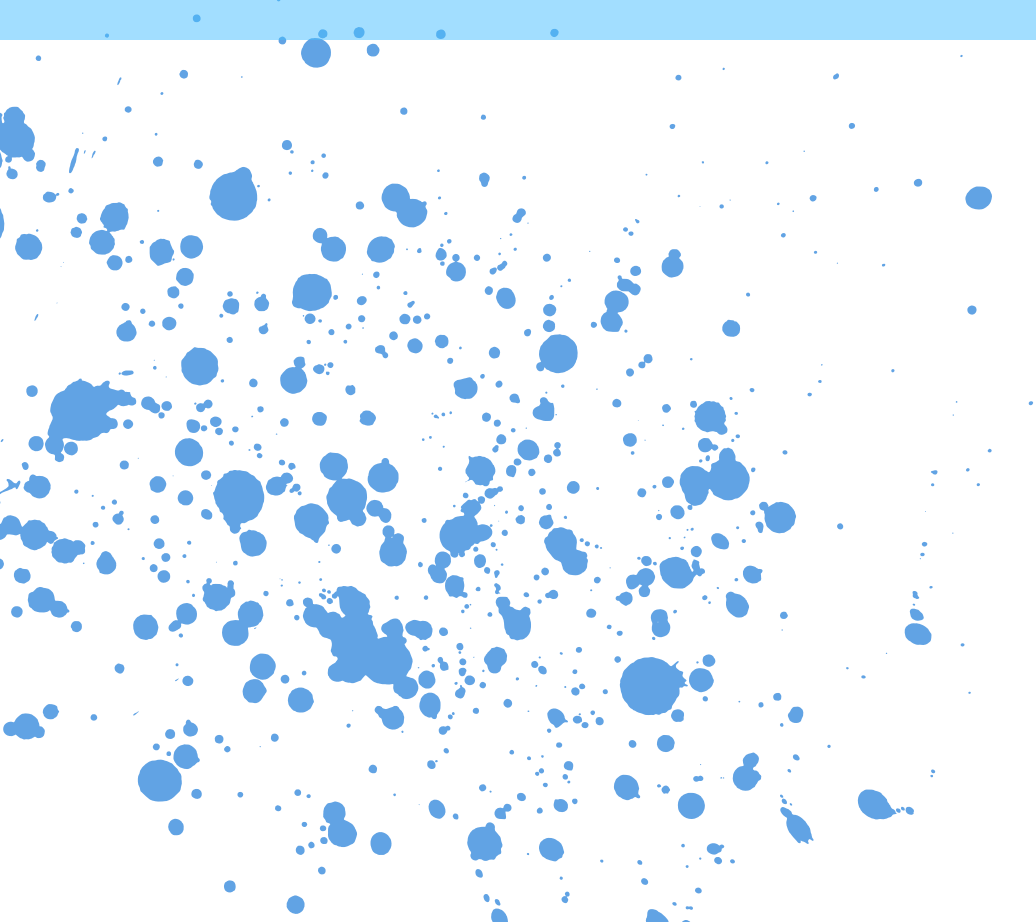
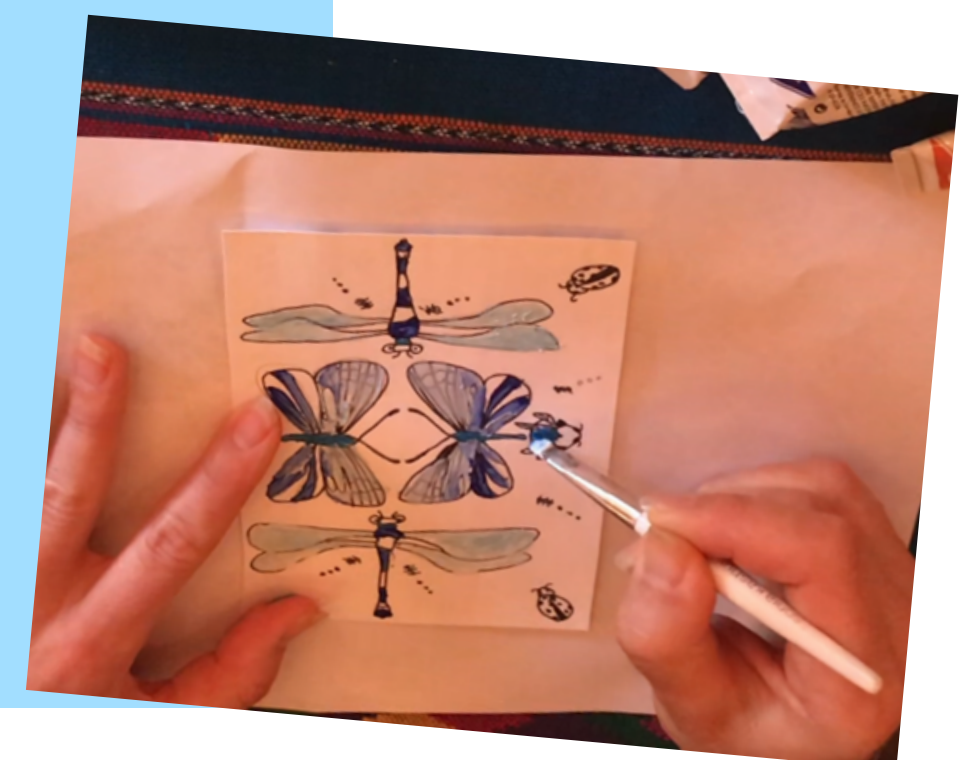
2. Draw your first flying bug in pencil, then pen. Follow along with the video to draw Franklin's bumblebee, Amani flatwing, or another endangered insect.



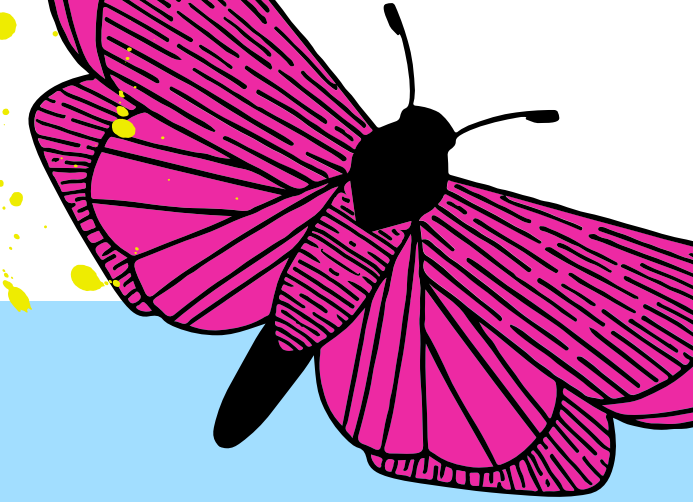
3. Draw more bugs in a pattern to your liking. Keep in mind positive and negative space



4. Use colors that make your pattern pop. Consider using monochromatic colors, maybe with highlights from complementary colors.

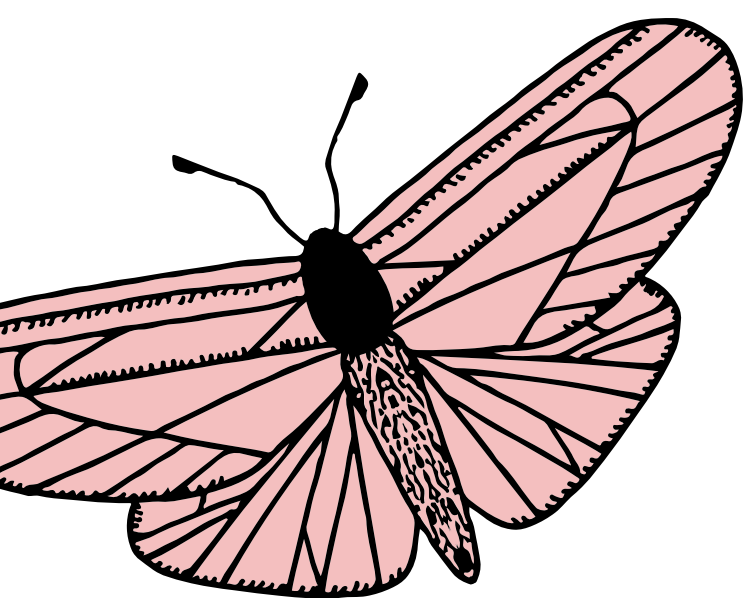
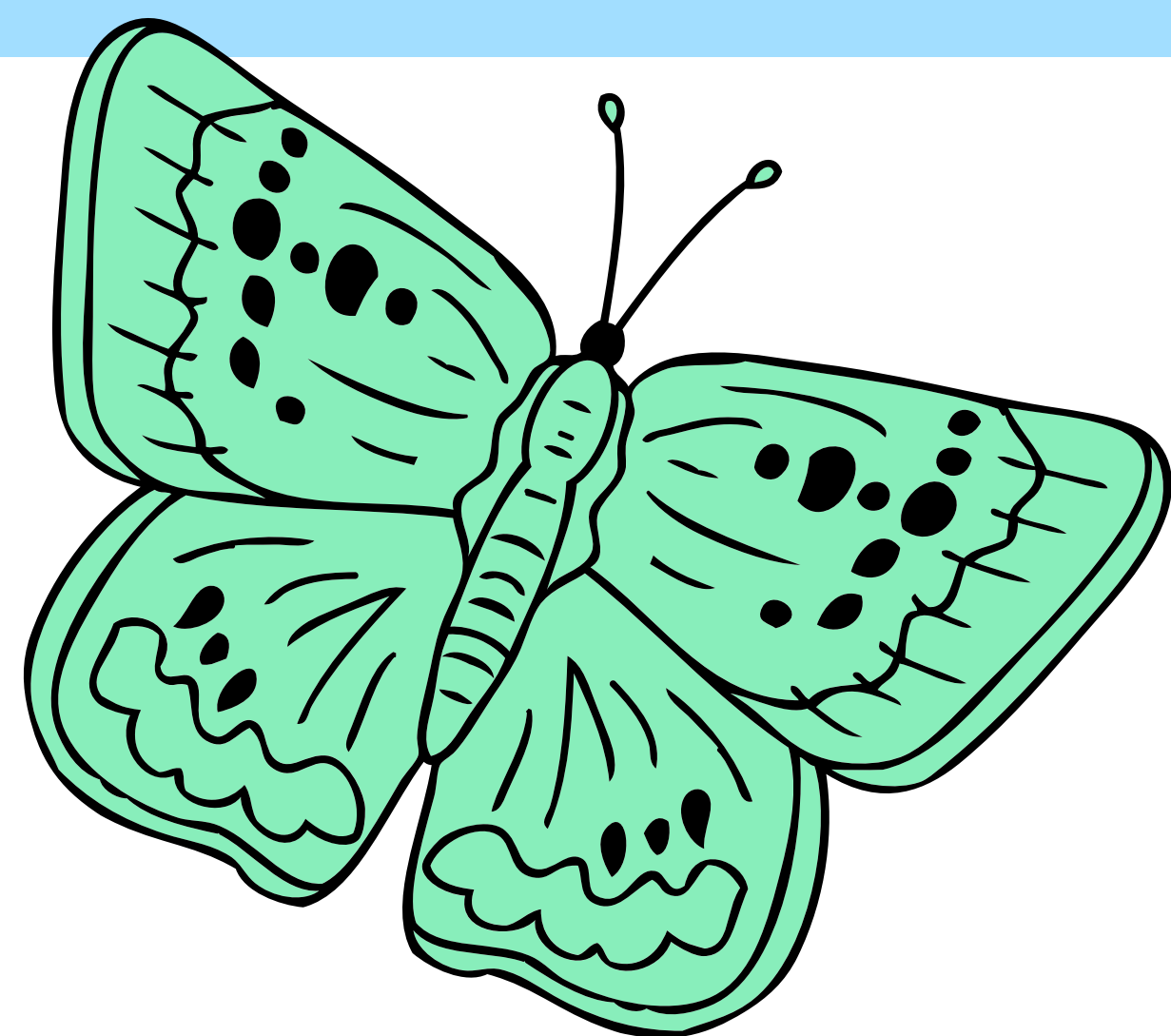


FINISH YOUR POSTCARD

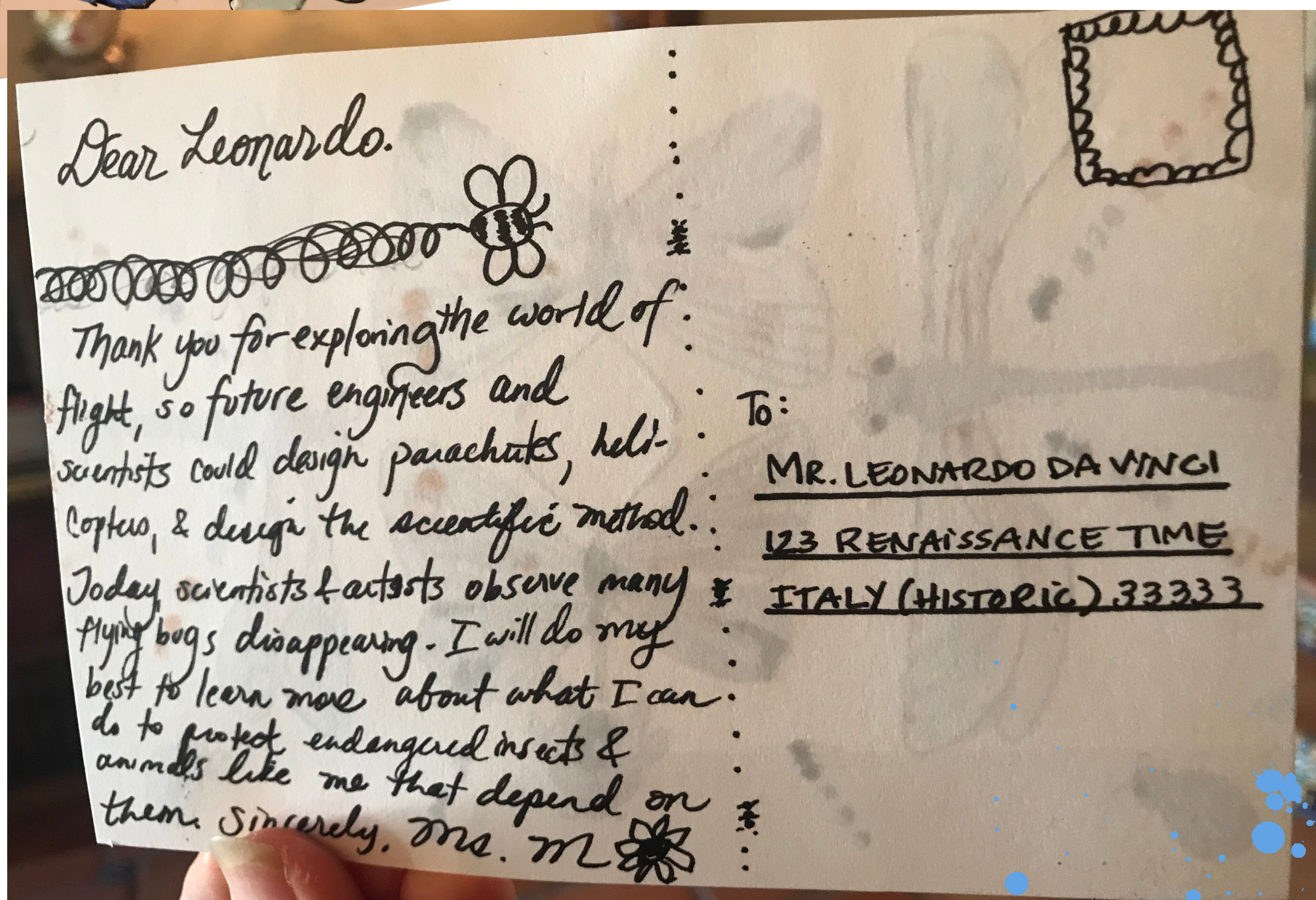


Write to Leonard DaVinci!

Write a short letter (2-3 sentences) to Leonardo DaVinci to tell him how you observe or appreciate flying insects today. Feel free to make it rhyme! If you get stuck, take some time outside to notice how bugs fly, and what kinds of things they provide for you, like honey!



We can't wait to see your insect postcards!



Make sure to send photos to your teachers or tag @parachutearts and @ecoartsfoundation on Instagram.

